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Must see ID?

Thursday night tavern raids nab underage patrons

By MICHELLE KRUPA
News Editor
and BRIDGET O'CONNOR
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They were out in force. South Bend police teams raided at least two local bars and taverns early this morning, issuing citations for "minor in a tavern" to students and establishment owners alike.

Irish Connection and Corby's Pub received visits from what managers described as SUDS (Stop Underage Drinking and Sales) teams — 20 to 25 uniformed officers converging on their premises to check for underage drinking.

The South Bend police department had no comment at press time.

"They came in and asked everybody for identifications," said Leon Townsend, manager at Irish Connection. "They made two lines: one for people over 21 and one for people

underage. There were about 30 or 40 people who got citations, I think. It's hard to say."

While no minor was charged with consumption and the bar was not shut down, the establishment was issued a citation for minors in a tavern. Townsend asserted that a county police officer had been checking for identification all night.

"We carded everybody as they came in. Our responsibility as bar owners is to do the best we can. IDs are highly sophisticated these days," he said.

Junior Tim Breuckman, 20, said he was not asked to show ID upon entering the bar and that the atmosphere was like that of the raid on Bridget McGuire's Filling Station last January. He expects a punishment similar to the \$212 city fine and \$100 University fine issued to those underage students earlier this year.

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IRISH CONNECTION MANAGER

an ID. I guess it really doesn't matter now. We're all pretty sure we're going to get the same thing they got at Bridget's," Breuckman said.

Unlike January's raid at Bridget's, police officers were not searching for fake ID cards but instead were distinguishing those over and under 21, asking the latter to submit their names for citation with

or without documentation.

A similar raid took place at Corby's Pub, but only one student was issued a citation, according to manager Jason Zolman.

"Twenty-five cops showed up. They cleaned us out and only busted one person. Corby's wasn't cited though. We had a county cop sitting at the door and a guy watching the back door so that no one would sneak in," Zolman said.

While other local establishments were not targeted, managers and bartenders knew of raids going on throughout the area.

"The bars themselves didn't call, but [we found out] mostly by word of mouth from people who came over from other bars," said Todd Dvorak, a bartender at Finnegan's and Notre Dame senior.

While The Boat Club was also not raided, bartender Mark Boros described the scene outside the bar. He said

there were several law enforcement officials surrounding the establishment at approximately 2 a.m.

"We have cops gathering around the building right now. They're terrifying people," he continued, relating that police officers were stationed on the street corners between Boat Club and Irish Connection.

"I can't believe that we didn't [get busted]," Boros said at 3 a.m., closing time. "We double carded. Whoever wasn't 21 had to leave," he explained. "We turned down a lot of people."

"They gave fair warning at Boat Club," said a Notre Dame senior, noting an announcement made by the club's D.J.

"Basically they said, 'Leave. I-Conn's getting busted and they're on their way here.'"

"Most of the bar left," said an underage Notre Dame sophomore.

Coach's Sports Bar manager

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FRIDAY FEATURE

Rebuilding Season

Dome set to reopen next fall

By DEREK BETCHER
Assistant News Editor

Exactly 120 years after Father William Corby first welcomed students and faculty into the just-completed Main Building, Notre Dame's greatest campus landmark will again reopen its doors to the world.

The two-year, \$50 million renovation of the University's Main Building has followed planners' expectations and will be completed by July, 1999. Project managers estimate their aggressive task is two-thirds complete.

"The project is definitely on schedule and on budget," confirmed Notre Dame's associate vice



The Observer/Kevin Dalum

The final touches of the Main Building's restoration will occupy the next eight months. Structural and mechanical work on the two-year project is complete, leaving five floors of finishing work for contractors and craftsmen.

FAST FACTS Main Building Construction

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New Library:	1
Architect:	Ellerbe Becket
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■ INSIDE COLUMN

Overrated?

The other day in my never ending quest to avoid doing homework, I started thinking about college football and all the stupid things that occur in a college football stadium or on a college football field.

Mike Connolly
Sports Copy Editor

I was thinking about the stupidest thing that I have ever seen in college athletics and I decided that I had to write an Inside Column to put an end to it.

No, I am not talking about a flying octopus (there has been enough written about this already), Andy Katzmayer (he couldn't read it anyway) or Lee Corso (really, how does this guy have a job? My little sister knows more about college football than he does).

I am talking about a cheer — or a jeer — whatever you want to call it. I am talking about one little, seemingly insignificant and harmless word: overrated.

We have all heard this cheer. It usually occurs when an underdog defeats a higher-rated team (or if you are an Oregon State fan, a.k.a. loser, you chant it when you only lose by seven to UCLA). Irish fans were chanting "Overrated" when Bob Davie's squad defeated the defending national champions in our opening game.

So what's the big deal? We were just mocking Michigan, right? It's just a harmless little cheer with deeper meaning.

Wrong. Let's examine what the cheer "overrated" really means. Obviously it means that the team that was just defeated was ranked higher than they should have been.

What proof is there that this team was ranked too high?

They just lost. But does losing imply that a team is overrated?

If #25 Wyoming loses to #1 Tennessee, does this mean that Wyoming was overrated and should drop in the rankings?

No. Tennessee is supposed to beat Wyoming. There is no reason for Wyoming to drop if they lost to Tennessee.

Therefore, only if a team loses to a team that they are supposedly better than should they drop in the rankings.

Therefore, we chant overrated because the team just lost to an inferior team. Right?

Is it just me or is this really insulting when the "inferior" team happens to be your own team?

The true meaning of "overrated" is this: You must be overrated because we beat you and if we can beat you, you must not be any good.

Why are members of a cheering section participating in a cheer that demeans their own team?

Maybe the team that is supposedly "overrated" is not in fact overrated, but instead, the other team is "underrated"?

Recent events have shown that we were underrated in the pre-season polls. Week after week we are proving that we are better than our pre-season 24th ranking. With every victory, we climb in the rankings (except for the rankings of the coaches who hate us because they wish they were coaching here).

However, recent events are also showing that perhaps Michigan was rated exactly where they should have been. Maybe Michigan really is the fifth best team in the country. They are on track to go 9-2 this year and win the Big 10.

Maybe Michigan wasn't "overrated"; we were just "underrated".

So please, with basketball season opening tonight and Coach MacLeod's team sure to pull off some victories over higher ranked teams, don't insult our team by chanting "overrated." Show some respect for their efforts by not demeaning their victories.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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Outside the Dome

Compiled from U-Wire reports

University tier plan meets mixed reviews from students

GAINESVILLE, Fla.

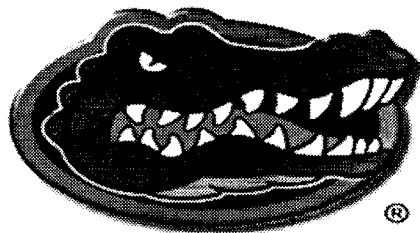
The devil is in the details.

That is the conclusion student government leaders from across the state have come to about State University System Chancellor Adam Herbert's plan to reclassify Florida's 10 public universities. The plan will be voted on next week by the Board of Regents.

Tuition and funding changes are proposed in the five-year SUS strategic plan, but student leaders said they are too vague for the Florida Student Association to take a united stand. FSA is a student lobbying group.

The plan is controversial, in part, because it classifies Florida's only historically black university in the Comprehensive "tier" — perceived by many as the lowest classification.

The Comprehensive classification, which also includes the University of West Florida and Florida Gulf Coast University, focuses on undergraduate



education.

Students from those schools question what the "stigma" of that classification will do to the value of their degrees.

"Placing certain schools in tiers above certain others results in the 'brand naming' of degrees," states a Florida A&M University student report. "In the academic, vocational and public eyes, degrees from the top tier schools will be looked upon with higher regard."

Student Body President John

McGovern said fear of the stigmas must be dispelled. UF's SG is in favor of the plan, which classifies UF as a Research I institution that will focus on graduate education and research.

"I think the problem with this whole thing all along is there has been way too much argument over the names," McGovern said. "The core of what we're talking about has nothing to do with the names. The focus is non-duplication of missions, maximizing resources and overall presentation of quality education to the state."

However, UF's student report states the plan will "increase the value and marketability of any degree obtained from UF."

FAMU also expresses concern that its graduate programs will not be able to grow because Florida State University, a Research I school in the "top tier," also is located in Tallahassee.

■ UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

Doctors leery to prescribe marijuana

TUCSON, Ariz.

Although Arizonans support using otherwise illegal drugs for medicinal purposes, doctors are unlikely to start prescribing marijuana, one UA physician and two Arizona legislators said. Last week, voters rejected Proposition 300, which would have upheld the state's decision to ban physicians from prescribing drugs such as marijuana, heroin, LSD and PCP without Food and Drug Administration approval. "The people have spoken their will," said Robert Dorr, director of the University of Arizona's pharmacy program. "I think they have overestimated the number of doctors who will be willing to prescribe (marijuana)." Arizona Sen. Ruth Solomon, a Democrat, pointed to a legal basis for physicians' hesitance to prescribe drugs approved by the proposition. It is still against federal law to prescribe such drugs, and doctors could lose their licenses for doing so, Solomon said.

■ YALE UNIVERSITY

Baffled students adjust to new Master

NEW HAVEN, Conn.

Less than a week after the sudden resignation of former Saybrook Master Antonio Lasaga and days after the revelation that he is the subject of a federal child pornography investigation, the Yale administration is trying to help baffled students through what many have called a difficult and unsettling time. Rumors and suspicions that have been circulating around Saybrook all week intensified after the New Haven Register reported that two Yale students tipped off authorities to potential illegal activity in Lasaga's Saybrook rooms. News crews and reporters have descended onto the Yale campus in the last 48 hours. Counselors, administrators and new Saybrook Master Harry Adams met with Saybrook students yesterday evening to discuss their concerns and feelings about the week's events. Some students said they felt saddened, shocked and betrayed by the events that have unfolded and the questions that remain unanswered.

■ UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Former student files suit against judge

BERKELEY, Calif.

A former UC Berkeley student, who alleges that a judge sent her to prison to block her from having a second-term abortion, has filed a lawsuit against the judge. Yuriko Kawaguchi is suing Judge Patricia Cleary of the Cuyahoga County, Ohio Court of Common Pleas, alleging that the judge's personal views on abortion resulted in Kawaguchi's imprisonment, according to the lawsuit. The suit also states that Kawaguchi could not get a safe abortion because a number of individuals, including Cleary, Cuyahoga County Sheriff Gerald McFaul, jail administrator Robert Pace and prison social workers, did not provide her with the information that she needed to get a timely abortion, according to Chris Link, executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Ohio. "She was not fully informed of her choices and was not given the opportunity to have an abortion," Link said.

■ KENT STATE UNIVERSITY

Fake money sneaks onto campus

KENT, Ohio

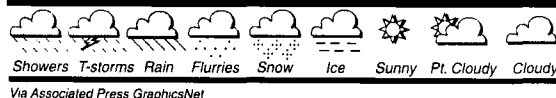
Someone is circulating funny money in Portage County, and the counterfeit bills have ended up in the city of Kent and on the Kent State campus. Kent State student Jon Fitch found a false \$20 bill when he withdrew money from the Huntington National Bank drive-through ATM machine on state Route 59 last week, and more bills circulated in the Hub shortly thereafter. Kent Police Sgt. Dennis DeLuke said just one person isn't suspect of the operation that may be producing the fake bills as other bills have been found in the county. "This isn't just one guy's bright idea," DeLuke said. Kent State Police Lt. Dean Tondiglia would not disclose through which vendors the fake currency has passed in the Hub because the investigation is still underway. The investigation will continue for at least two more weeks, he said, and they do have leads. Both police departments are working with the Akron office of the United States Secret Service.

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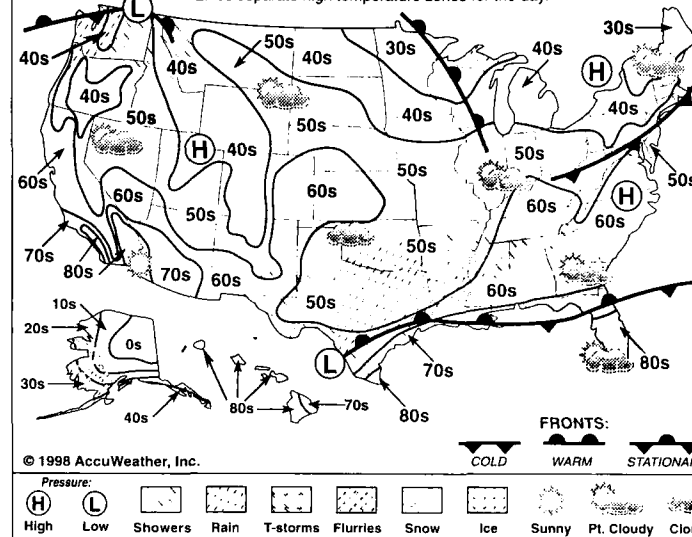
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■ NATIONAL WEATHER

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Chicago	46	34	Lincoln	57	32	San Diego	70	53
Des Moines	51	34	Miami	83	68	Topeka	58	38
Detroit	47	32	Pittsburgh	49	32	Washington, DC	60	40

Death penalty forum voices objections to execution

By TOM ENRIGHT
News Writer

The night before Easter of 1990, Jennifer Bishop Jones' pregnant sister and brother-in-law returned home to find an armed male sitting in their living room. He led the couple to their basement where he murdered both. The criminal was the couple's 16-year old neighbor, and he escaped Illinois' death penalty by virtue of only his age, according to Jones.

Jones, a member of Murder Victims Families for Reconciliation, spoke Thursday night at the Death Penalty Forum sponsored by Amnesty International and ND/SMC Right to Life. Students, a Notre Dame faculty member and the wife of a death row inmate also shared their experiences.

"Why do we kill people to show people that killing is wrong?" asked Jones, who explained how her sister's murder challenged her opposition to the death penalty. "It's not making us safer, it doesn't save us money ... and it's administered in an incredibly discriminating and arbitrary way."

Illinois ranks third in the nation in number of death row inmates, with 170 men and women on death row, said Jones. Noting that 67 percent

of death row inmates are black and Hispanic, she highlighted the general racial disproportion associated with the death penalty.

Jones also said that Illinois ranks second in the nation in number of mistaken death penalty convictions. Nine

'WHY DO WE KILL PEOPLE TO SHOW PEOPLE THAT KILLING IS WRONG? IT'S NOT MAKING US SAFER, IT DOESN'T SAVE US MONEY... AND IT'S ADMINISTERED IN AN INCREDIBLY DISCRIMINATING AND ARBITRARY WAY.'

JENNIFER BISHOP JONES
MEMBER, MURDER VICTIMS
FAMILIES FOR RECONCILIATION

death penalty cases were reversed in the past six years, all without the aid of the court system, said Jones.

She criticized the judicial systems tendency to seek immediate justice rather than to examine all facts, giving examples of individuals who almost underwent the death penalty before evidence arose exonerating them.

Beverly Miller, the wife of a death row inmate and herself a member of the group Love Over Vengeance, intertwined her opposition with the death penalty to her Christian faith.

"The death penalty is a total denial of the individual's self-worth," said Miller. "If you believe in Jesus Christ ... then how can you believe in the death penalty?"

Miller read letters from death row inmates describing their feelings about the judicial system and their individual futures.

"We generally assume that if a person is arrested for a crime, they committed that crime," said Miller reading one inmate's letter. "By the time you go to trial ... everyone hates you."

Miller argued that keeping a prisoner alive makes economic sense. It costs \$900,000 to keep a inmate in prison for 50 years, but over \$2.5 million to execute one individual. The higher costs come from the multiple appeals and fees incurred before an individual is executed, she said.

There are over 3,300 people on death row today in the U.S., said Miller, who interspersed personal accounts with statistics. She added that since 1976, almost 500 executions have taken place in the United States, which remains the only Christian country in the world

to enact the death penalty.

Garth Meintjes, a law professor and associate director of Notre Dame Law School's Center for Civil and Human Rights, outlined the reasons for Amnesty International's opposition to the death penalty.

"Amnesty International believes that the death penalty violates the fundamental right to life. There is an unmistakable trend away from the practice of the death penalty in the international community," said Meintjes.

Meintjes also said that Amnesty International opposes

'THE DEATH PENALTY IS A TOTAL DENIAL OF THE INDIVIDUAL'S SELF-WORTH. IF YOU BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST ... THEN HOW CAN YOU BELIEVE IN THE DEATH PENALTY?'

BEVERLY MILLER
MEMBER, LOVE OVER VENGEANCE

the death penalty because of its associations with violations of due process and bias against poor and racial minorities.

Meintjes cited a 1998

Philadelphia study which found that a black person is four times more likely to get the death penalty than any other criminal in the America.

Bill Pelke, a speaker from Indiana whose grandmother died after several teenage girls stabbed her to death, spoke about the need for love among victims' families and the accused.

"If you can get people to believe in love and compassion for humanity, you don't have to talk about the death penalty," he said.

One of the murderers of Pelke's grandmother was a 15-year-old girl who became the youngest girl on death row in the country. Only after Pelke appealed and sought the support of death penalty opposition in Europe did the court system take the girl off death row.

"These people have families. We have to take a stand that it's wrong," said Pelke.

Several of the speakers noted the increased public support for the death penalty in recent years, citing the state of New York as an example, which has reinstated its death penalty. Two Notre Dame students and Father Joe Ross, a chaplain at the Michigan City prison, also shared their experiences of corresponding and visiting with death row inmates.



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Law School Forum opens in Chicago

By MAUREEN SMITHE
News Writer

With an inexpensive train ride to Chicago, budding law students can broaden their horizons at the Chicago Law School Forum today and Saturday.

Over 140 law schools will be represented at the recruitment fair in the Chicago Hilton and Towers at 720 South Michigan Avenue. In addition to the fair, special presentations and information sessions will be held.

"The forum presents a chance to learn about the admission process, financial aid options and career opportunities in the legal fields through live panel discussions as well as videotapes," said Edward Haggerty, media relations specialist for the event.

Haggerty said the purpose of the forum is "to recruit qualified people to law school, acquaint them with the law school admission process and put them on the road to finding the right law school."

Included in the forum are workshops on financing a

legal education, videos about the law school admission process and special presentations for minority applicants. Law Services publications and LSAT preparation materials are available for purchase as well.

Several other cities, including Atlanta, Boston, Dallas, Los Angeles, New York and Washington D.C., have hosted similar forums. The forums allow students to "meet with representatives of many law schools and learn firsthand what they have to offer," Haggerty said.

A statement issued by the Law School Admission Council encourages prospective law students to attend such events.

"Law School Forums are designed to be helpful and informative to all prospective law school students; they have proven to be particularly helpful to people who have been out of undergraduate school for a year or more," the statement read.

Preregistration is not required and admission is free.

Novak preaches compatibility of business profits, religion

By JOELLE FARMER
News Writer

Business and religious faith are inextricably intertwined and essential to the success of democracy, according to theologian and author Michael Novak.

Facetiously alluding to his Washington home as the "ethics capital of the world," Novak discussed the importance of faith in the marketplace while delivering the Hansen-Wessner Memorial Lecture Thursday afternoon in the College of Business Administration. Only in certain moral environments with great commitments to society can business truly thrive, he explained.

Historians, journalists and other members of "literary culture" have created an anti-business sentiment in which business ethics is an oxymoron and business people are portrayed to worship only the "almighty dollar in a decade of greed," Novak explained.

"A life committed to business is noble and it is essential to relate faith with work," he said.

Creativity, community and practical wisdom are the moral strengths of the commercial world and are propelled by world ideals inside any corporation.

"Capitalism and democracy cannot endure without the virtues and respect for moral law," said Novak. This moral law is what a business, as a community of people working together for the welfare of the larger world, abides by.

Despite popular belief, Novak asserts that

businesses do not operate in a free market. Firms operate within a system; capitalism.

"Capitalism is a law-governed, mind-centered system and a necessity for a successful democracy," he said.

Using historical references, Novak demonstrated that economic liberty is essential for political liberty. The Founding Fathers made the fateful decision to create a republic with an active commerce, he reminded.

"Republicanism forms better citizens as the character of the people forms the ethics of the republic," Novak said. From this beginning, capitalism has flourished in the United States and throughout the world as has democracy.

Business is inherently moral, but it is the duty of practitioners to maintain their moral working environment. This is the moral ambiguity of human freedom, according to Novak.

While each business exchange fosters change, business people must ensure that they do not betray "their firms, themselves, or the business system," said Novak.

Despite the negative portrayal of business in society, Novak maintains that it is a noble and responsible profession.

"Business is the only business that allows itself to be vilified and pay for it," he said.

Striving to provide a forum to discuss ethics in the marketplace, Novak's lecture was the fourth sponsored by the College of Business Administration and its Center for Ethics and Religious Values in Business.

'A LIFE COMMITTED TO BUSINESS IS NOBLE, AND IT IS ESSENTIAL TO RELATE FAITH WITH GOOD WORK.'

MICHAEL NOVAK

ND hosts education conference

By ROBERT PAZORNIK
News Writer

The Institute for Educational Initiatives will hold its second annual invitational conference on the Comparative Studies of Educational Achievement at Notre Dame's Center for Continuing Education on Saturday.

Renown social scientists from America's top universities will discuss subjects dealing with educational improvement and student achievement, such as "Achievement and Equality in Catholic and Public Schools," "Gender Gap Comparison from 1972 to 1992" and "Immutability of Student Achievement."

"I'm looking forward to it; I think it will be interesting," said Warren Kubitschek, assistant professional specialist at the Institution. "The conference is all about comparative studies of sociology in education. Only in the past decade have we started to do international education study."

"It should be quite informative, to learn what [characteristics of formal education] are peculiar to the United States and which are more universal."

The institute is making a great effort to bring some people studying comparative education together," Kubitschek continued.

Keynote speakers at the event will include Alan Kerckhoff of Duke University, Charles Bidwell of the University of Chicago, Anna Neumann of Michigan State University and Felicia LeClere, a research assistant professor at the Center for Study of Contemporary Society of Notre Dame.

"One of the primary intents [of the conference] is to get graduate students exposed to different methods of research," said LeClere, who noted the importance of the Graduate

Student Workshop, scheduled to be held in conjunction with the IEI conference.

The Institute for Educational Initiatives was established in 1997 in order to conduct systematic social science research on schools. The group's mission is to "promote basic and applied research that will inform educational policy and improved educational practice." Organizers of the conference hope that the workshop will "promote discussion and encourage collaborative research among social scientists."

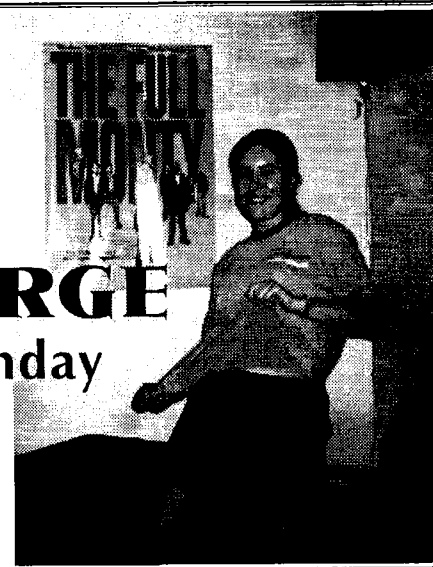
"It's going to be exciting," said Kubitschek. "People at this conference will be taking a more comparative look."

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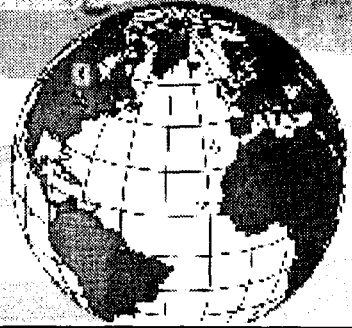
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Thad Schmidt also affirmed that the employees and customers of his establishment knew of the local crack-downs from those arriving at Coach's after 1 a.m.

As a matter of policy, Coach's has uniformed Mishawaka and county police officers at its doors to check IDs.

Brian Reinthaler contributed to this report.

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■ U.S. NEWS

Chile approves expedition to search for buried treasures

SANTIAGO, Chile — A U.S. expedition to search for 18th century treasure on Robinson Crusoe island has been approved by Chilean authorities, the National Monuments Commission said Thursday. Authorization was given for "scientific and archaeological diggings aimed at finding the exact place where a valuable shipment was buried in the 18th century," the commission said. The site is about six miles from the island's only populated village. Chilean scientists were assigned to follow the expedition because the three-island area, 500 miles west of continental Chile, is a national park, the commission said. If treasure is found, Chile would keep 75 percent and the remaining 25 percent would go to the expedition.

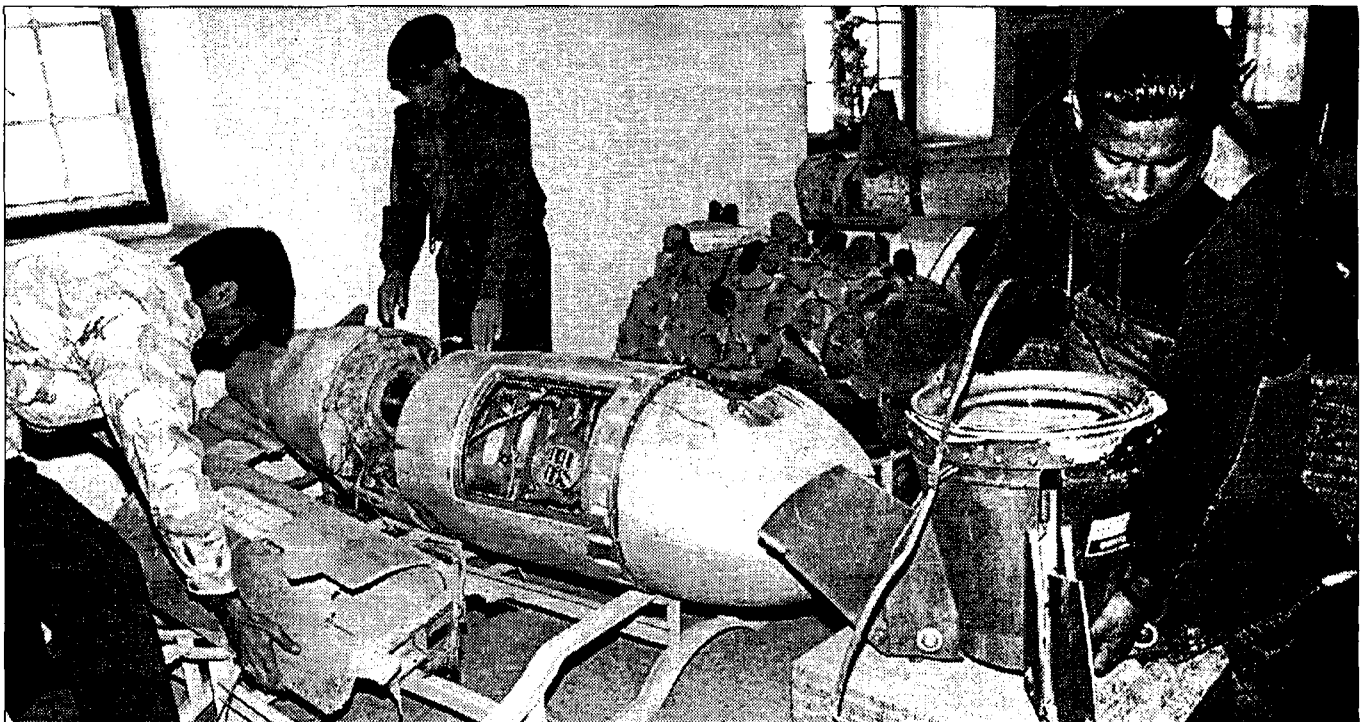
Mysterious fumes force Tennessee school to evacuate

McMINNVILLE, Tenn. — Noxious fumes filled a high school classroom and hallway Thursday, sending at least 62 people to the hospital. A student prank was suspected by investigators who spent the day trying to determine the source of the odor at Warren County High School, which was variously described as reminiscent of paint thinner, bug spray or pepper spray. "It's a mystery. We may never know," said Richard Myers, Warren County Emergency Management Agency director. Victims — mostly students and at least one teacher — were treated at River Park Hospital for nausea, headaches and dizzy spells.

Custody battle over switched babies begins

BUENA VISTA, Va. — A custody battle may be in the works for one of two girls switched at birth three years ago. Tommy and Linda Rogers, the divorced maternal grandparents who have been helping raise Rebecca Grace Chittum, have petitioned a juvenile court for sole custody of the child, a relative said Thursday. Relatives said the grandparents want to end a joint arrangement between themselves and Rebecca's paternal grandparents, Rosa Lee and Larry Chittum, and also keep Rebecca's biological mother from visiting. Paula Johnson gave birth to Rebecca at the University of Virginia Medical Center on June 30, 1995, a day after Kevin Chittum and Whitney Rogers had Callie Conley there. DNA tests this summer determined the babies were switched and raised by the wrong parents. Chittum and Ms. Rogers did not know of the switch when they died in a car crash July 4.

■ IRAQ



AFP Photo

Iraqi workers clean the remains of a U.S. bomb at a Baghdad museum Thursday. The museum displays artifacts from the Gulf War. The United Nations completed the evacuation of most of its Baghdad staff to shelter them from possible U.S. air strikes.

U.N. pulls workers out of Baghdad

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BAGHDAD

Facing a U.S. military buildup and harsh criticism from fellow Arabs, Iraq blamed Washington on Thursday for the deepening crisis over U.N. arms inspections and said an American attack would be "a sheer aggression of criminals."

Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz — gesturing defiantly, his voice rising in anger — charged that President Clinton was blocking the completion of arms inspections needed for punishing trade sanctions on Iraq to be lifted.

"The road is being blocked continuously, stubbornly, illegally by his government," Aziz said at a news conference that came shortly after a group of

Arab states said Iraq itself would be at fault if the U.S. military struck at the country.

The criticism by the six countries of the Gulf Cooperation Council — Iraq's vulnerable neighbors — along with Syria and Egypt was unusually strong for Arab countries who have repeatedly called for a diplomatic solution to the crisis.

Foreign ministers of the eight states, meeting in the Persian Gulf state of Qatar, did urge "wisdom and reason" to end the confrontation. But they said the government of Saddam Hussein would be "responsible for any consequences" from its stopping the work of U.N. weapons inspectors.

Aziz gave little heed to

the plea from the Arabs to renew cooperation with the United Nations or face more suffering by the Iraqi people.

"If they are sincere in dealing with this situation ... they should blame the main block, the main government which is behind this crisis. They should criticize the United States," he said.

In Israel, the government opened gas mask distribution centers for its citizens even as officials said they believed the possibility of an Iraqi retaliatory attack on Israel, like those during the Gulf War, was slim.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said he wasn't even sure if he had a gas mask at home and only a trickle of people showed up at the 65 gas mask

centers opened around the country.

Iraq's defiant stand came despite growing evidence that the United States was preparing to make good on its military threats unless searches for Iraq's weapons of mass destruction are renewed.

"We're not playing games," Defense Secretary William Cohen said. But he also said, "We're not seeking to go to war. We're seeking to avoid it. All he has to do is comply. The choice is his."

The United States on Wednesday ordered more warships headed to the Persian Gulf to ready for an attack, and the United Nations — declaring that it must look to the safety of its workers — pulled 21 more staff members out of Iraq on Thursday.

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Hong Kong mob boss gets death

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HONG KONG

A reputed Hong Kong mob boss was sentenced to death Thursday in China for kidnapping and arms-smuggling, ending the first high-profile cross-border trial since the handover from British rule.

Cheung Tze-keung, alias "Big Spender," stared straight ahead as he heard the verdict in a Guangzhou courthouse, ringed by sharpshooters and security personnel wearing bulletproof vests and armed with machine guns.

Some of his 35 accomplices appeared nervous as they heard their sentences, ranging from prison to death. The reactions were shown in mainland Chinese television footage aired late Thursday by Hong Kong

stations.

The case riveted attention in Hong Kong, where two tycoons were reportedly kidnapped and released after paying \$210 million in ransom.

Legal experts raised questions about jurisdiction because many of the crimes were committed in Hong Kong, which has no death penalty, but were prosecuted in China as capital offenses in a closed-door trial.

The verdicts and sentences were announced somewhat more openly Thursday, with Chinese legal officials addressing a news conference in Guangzhou, 100 miles north of the Hong Kong border, that was broadcast on Hong Kong television. Western journalists were kept out.

Cheung's lawyers had tried to get the trial transferred to Hong Kong, which has a court system modeled after Britain's.

But Hong Kong authorities said they had no evidence because the kidnappings were never reported to Hong Kong police.

The Hong Kong Bar Association maintained China had the right to try the case, although a bar spokesman, Ronny Tong, conceded hearing it in China rather than Hong Kong "may give ... the false impression that the judiciary and the rule of law in Hong Kong are somehow subordinate to those of the rest of China."

Hong Kong's secretary of security, Regina Ip, sought to play down such concerns, noting many of the crimes were allegedly plotted in the mainland, where half the defendants lived and where all were arrested.

"There is no question of the mainland interfering with Hong Kong's own independent adjudicating power," Ip told a news conference.

Dome

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president for business operations, Jim Lyphout.

The rapid progression that has seen construction shift from exterior restoration to interior renovation will not slow during the coming winter, said Notre Dame facilities engineering project manager Paula Carlacchini. The building has been fully insulated and enclosed and its permanent heating system has already been connected, so the renovation's small army of carpenters, electricians and craftsmen will keep their pace regardless of inclement weather.

Structurally and mechanically, the project is all but complete, leaving only finishing touches for the project's final months.

"There's still a lot of things going on," reported The Christman Companies project manager Doug Norton. "Drywall is the biggest activity right now — drywall and plaster."

Once the office walls are in place, contractors will add the decorative touches as they create modern functional office space in the building's wings and recreate historically accurate ornamentation in the building's corridors. Stained oak cherry will augment the existing walnut, mahogany and pine work, and faux marble and decorative painting that was covered in the 1960s will also be restored to its original luster.

The project aims to restore

the historical appearance of much of the interior's public space while creating historically sensitive but functional office space. When it reopens in 1999, the Main Building will again house large administrative units such as the Admissions Office and the Office of Financial Aid. The building will also hearken back to its 19th Century roots and include classroom and library space.

"Everything that goes back into that building has to have a historical precedent for being there," said project director Mike Bjornberg of Ellerbe Becket architects.

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MAIN BUILDING ARCHITECTS

THREE MONTHS TO CREATE,
TWO YEARS TO RESTORE

The extraordinary circumstances of the building's original construction has challenged contractors' plans to keep their aggressive schedule.

Father Sorin's original administration building was destroyed by fire in April, 1879. Just days later, Notre Dame's president, Father William Corby, boldly declared that a new and improved structure would open by September of that year.

Three-hundred unskilled workers — many of them students and volunteers — took just 3 1/2 months to erect the current structure. Some of the negative effects of that chaotic construction festered and deteriorated within the building until 1991 when the University asked Minneapolis-based architect Ellerbe Becket to conduct a preliminary study of the building's condition. They found a structure badly in need of both structural and cosmetic repairs.

"The patient was sick, but not terminal," Bjornberg recalled. "We were fortunate that a lot of the work done on the original project was of quality."

The architect's list of serious structural deficiencies was disturbing; the north annex was leaning and pulling away from the rest of the building, the poorly supported fifth floor had been ruled unsafe for occupancy and floor beams under the president's office and other administrative spaces had snapped and failed. The building's 120-year old skeleton was perhaps a lurking disaster.

"The time frame that they first tried to build it in was pretty remarkable," Norton said. "[The original construction] was all pretty eccentric."

But now with eight months left in the massive project, hidden structural problems have been all but eliminated. Engineers report the renovated 120-year-old building will actually be sturdier than it was when Father Corby first opened its doors.

"Definitely. You can say that it's stronger now than when it

was new," Norton said.

The current project has had the complex task of restoring the appearance of the original building while simultaneously strengthening its structure and adding modern necessities. Safety concerns motivated the most aggressive changes;

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MAIN BUILDING CONTRACTORS

adding elevators, escape routes and other measures.

"There were a lot of improvements we had to make — a lot of improvements towards life safety," Bjornberg said.

The architects' job was complicated by the absence of any blueprints, plans or documentation to explain the 1879 construction process.

"With an old building, you have to be a little like a detective. You pull things apart and you find problems," Bjornberg said. "A lot of our work was just trying to bring some sense to this."

BUILDING ON EXPERIENCE

Approximately 175 laborers are contributing to the project. The Christman Companies won the project's \$50 million bid and employ largely local, union subcontractors.

Managers reported few difficulties in locating skilled local craftsmen, even though the project calls for some repairs considerably less orthodox

than dry-walling and painting. Mosaic ceramic floor tiles and restoration of decorative gold leaf are among the finer points of the finishing touches contractors will apply between now and next July.

To help reproduce the building's artistic details, a handful of specialty contractors such as Conrad Schmitt Studios of Milwaukee were brought to campus. Conrad Schmitt built on its experience restoring the Gregori murals in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart to handle much of the Main Building's interior ornamentation and artwork, including the main corridor murals.

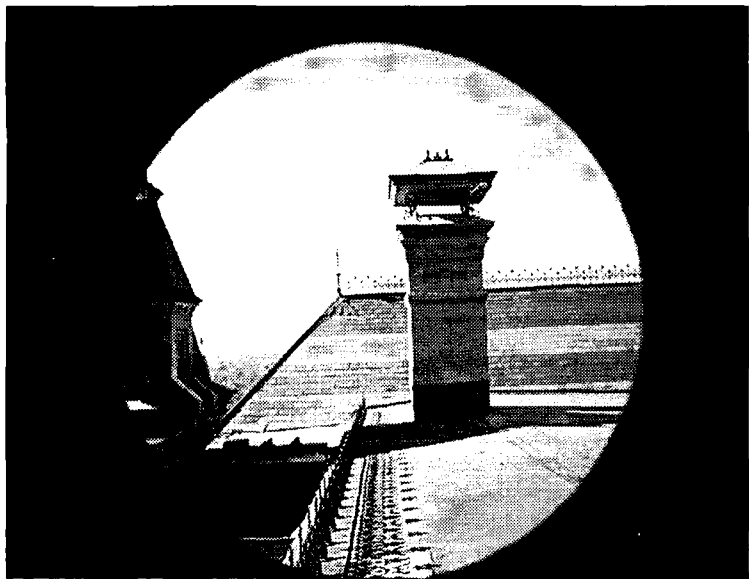
The project's managers agree that the contractors' work on the Main Building represents something special. Many seem to realize the cultural significance of the structure.

"My observation is that this project is certainly different, and this makes it special," Norton said, alluding to the building's focal location on Main Quad, an area honored on the National Register of Historic Places. "Because of the unique nature of this project, most if not all of the contractors have improved their cooperation. They all take pride in this work."

At the current advanced stage of the renovation, contractors can hopefully carry that pride to the finish line.

"This attitude has been heightened in the past few months as the project has really taken shape," agreed Jim Weiler, senior construction administrator for Ellerbe Becket.

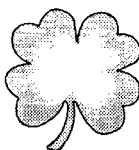
As recently as a few months ago, the Main Building was a gutless shell without interior walls or even floors, but much of its inside has now taken shape. As laborers add molding and restore stairwells, project managers note that only the finishing touches remain — albeit eight months worth.



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Round windows located on the base of the Main Building's cupola afford a view of the refurbished roof and ornamental chimney cover.



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Building on Tradition

Creating historically sensitive, functional office space was the primary goal for the renovations in the lower wings of the Main Building, but planners' aesthetic aspirations for the upper reaches of the landmark were heavenly.

For the interior of the dome, architects concentrated on restoring the full effect of architect Willoughby J. Edbrooke's original design. He called the eclectic mix "modern Gothic," and created a design that endures more than a century after its inception.

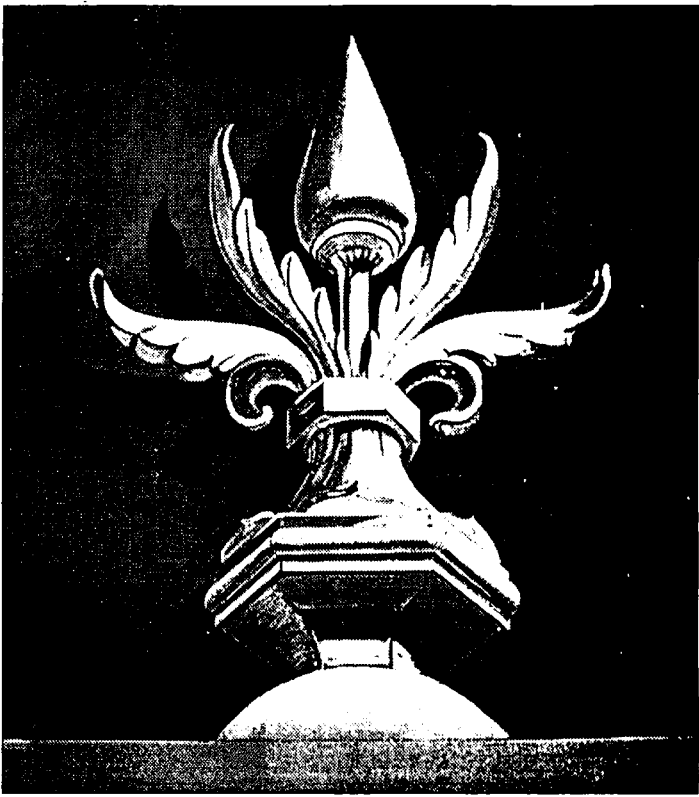
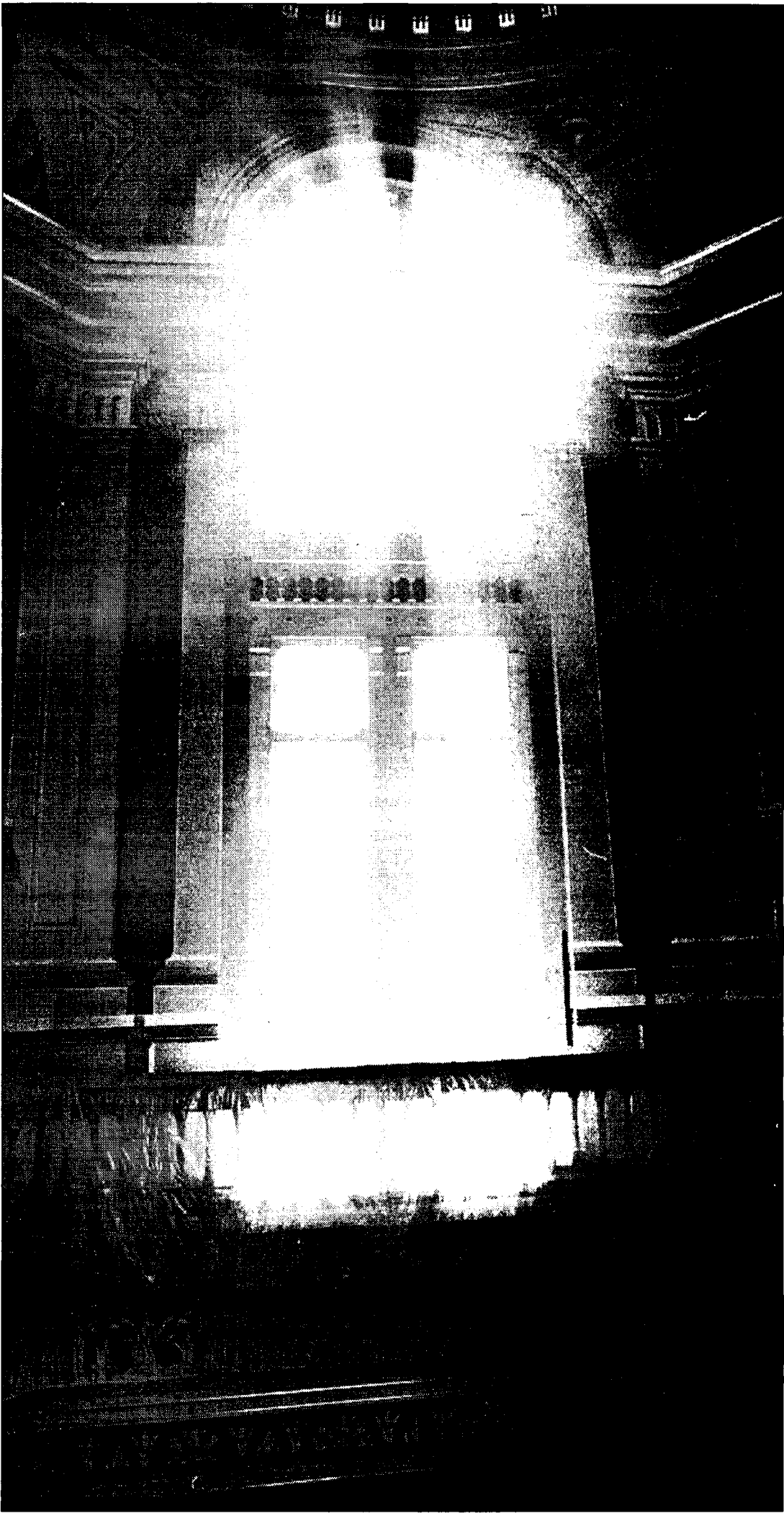
Pictured directly below, the original crude, spiraling wooden staircase climbs from the Main Building's fifth floor up into the cupola of Edbrooke's dome. Right, the noon sun streams into the top of the

dome cupola through the south-facing windows. Plastic shields the recently-restored wooden banisters that were among the thousands of items contractors returned to original luster.

Bottom right, ornamental decorations will be painted onto the corridor walls of the Main Building to approximate the original 1879 adornments.

Comparatively mundane yet necessary tasks also occupy the project's contractors. Bottom left, a craftsman installs utility-work alongside the insulation-shrouded first floor walls. In July, 1999, the Office of Financial Aid will move into that area with the rest of building's returning tenants.

Photos by Kevin Dalum



■ ISRAEL

Disputed construction proceeds

Associated Press

JERUSALEM Israel angered Palestinians Thursday by giving the go-ahead for construction of a Jewish housing project in a disputed area of Jerusalem, while saying it will start turning over West Bank territory next week.

Dennis Ross, U.S. special Middle East envoy, is to arrive in Israel Friday to oversee implementation of the nascent Mideast land-for-security accord. Palestinian officials were already calling on him to help solve the latest disputes.

"It is now crucial to have the American side join us ... to oversee implementation of the agreement," said chief Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat.

"We will not accept any post-agreement negotiations and will not accept any conditions outside" the accord itself, he told The Associated Press.

The Agreement, signed at the White House Oct. 26, calls for a staged troop withdrawal from 13 percent of the West Bank in exchange for Palestinian security measures.

Israel plans to hand over the first parcel of land by the end of next week, said David Bar-Illan, a senior adviser to Netanyahu. And there were signs on the ground Thursday that implementation of some aspects was close.

At the Palestinian airport in Gaza, near the Egyptian bor-

der, Israeli and Palestinian officials drilled security procedures for checking passengers.

Israeli soldiers were seen pulling equipment out of an army base in the West Bank, near the Palestinian village of Dura. It was not clear if the base is to be evacuated as part

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of the Israeli redeployment.

However, Palestinians focused attention on Israel's decision to accept bids for construction at a Jerusalem hilltop Israelis call Har Homa and Palestinians know as Jabal Abu Ghneim.

The hilltop is part of the land Israel captured from Jordan and annexed after the 1967 Mideast war. The Palestinians hope to establish the capital of a future state in the area.

White House Press Secretary Joe Lockhart said the project was "inconsistent with the spirit of the Wye agreement and with the need to create a positive atmosphere" for peace

talks. U.S. State Department Spokesman James Rubin called it "a bad decision."

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's office issued a statement saying it was responding to Rubin's comments that the decision should never have been made.

"The decision to build on Har Homa is a sovereign decision of Israel. It has no connection to the Wye agreement," the statement said.

Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat called the project "a big obstacle" to peace, but stopped short of saying it would harm the peace process.

Ground-breaking there last year led to Palestinian rioting and a 19-month-long stalemate in negotiations broken only after Netanyahu and Arafat signed the latest peace deal.

Netanyahu has repeatedly promised the 6,000 new homes would be ready in 2000.

The conditions attached to the accord included a demand that the Palestine National Council hold a formal vote by mid-December to revoke clauses in the Palestine Liberation Organization founding charter that call for Israel's destruction.

Israel also reserved the right to annex large areas of the West Bank if Arafat made good on a threat to unilaterally declare Palestinian statehood in May.

■ FRANCE

Government seeks Pinochet extradition

Pinochet faces charges for disappearance of French citizens

Associated Press

PARIS

French authorities on Thursday officially asked Britain to extradite former Chilean leader Augusto Pinochet so he can face charges related to the disappearance of French citizens.

A Justice Ministry statement said the extradition request was handed to British authorities via the French Foreign Ministry.

Pinochet was arrested Oct. 16 in London on a Spanish extradition warrant citing charges of genocide, torture and kidnapping during his 17-year rule, which began in 1973 when he toppled Salvador Allende, an elected Marxist.

A French judge handling the cases of three French citizens who disappeared after Pinochet took power had asked French authorities to file an extradition request.

A French court then sent a temporary arrest warrant for Pinochet to British authorities, accusing him of "sequestration followed by torture."

It was the final step necessary before France could officially ask for his extradition.

In Britain Thursday, prosecutors wrapped up their appeal of a court ruling allowing Pinochet immunity from prosecution in Britain, arguing that the crimes against humanity he is charged with "unequivocally" violate international law.

A report by Chile's government says about 3,000 people were killed or disappeared at the hands of secret police under Pinochet.

Chile, however, has protested his arrest, saying it strains the country's democracy, carefully built since the general stepped down in 1990.

■ RUSSIA

Leaders restructure debt

Associated Press

MOSCOW

Russia plans to seek a second restructuring of its Soviet-era foreign debt, the deputy finance minister says, a move likely to further undermine the government's sullied reputation among foreign creditors.

Russia inherited about \$260 billion in Soviet debt, much of it from loans to developing countries that defaulted.

Under a 1996 restructuring agreement, Russia was granted a grace period through 2002, during which it only makes debt service payments. But even that is proving too much.

Deputy Finance Minister Mikhail Kasyanov said in an interview published Thursday that Russia would be asking creditors for some "breathing space on the payments of the debt in the next year or two."

The Soviet-debt payments are part of the \$17.5 billion in for-

eign debt that Russia was to pay creditors next year.

Foreign lenders expected the government to try to pay off the newer, Russian debt first, and Kasyanov's announcement, in an interview with the business daily Kommersant, confirmed the speculations.

Kasyanov did not rule out the possibility that the government would also want to reschedule the Russian debt. Russia has built up \$50 billion in foreign debt as well as inheriting about \$100 billion in debt since the Soviet collapse, Kasyanov said.

Also Thursday, Russia was on the verge of signing a food aid deal with the European Union that would start providing wheat, rice, beef and pork in early January. Russia signed a similar agreement with the United States last week.

The country has not experienced any serious food shortages so far, but the government wants to ensure its stockpiles

last until spring.

In a new sign of trouble for the Russian banks, Central Bank Chairman Viktor Gerashchenko said the government won't bail out domestic banks whose overseas assets are frozen by foreign creditors.

A government-declared moratorium on debt payments that had protected Russian banks is due to expire within days.

Central Bank's deputy chairman Andrei Kozlov said that more than 700 Russian commercial banks will fail, because the government does not have the \$5 billion to save them.

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U.S. agrees to cut emissions

Associated Press

WASHINGTON
The United States signed the Kyoto global-warming accord today, hoping to spur further progress on details of the treaty in negotiations under way in Argentina.

The agreement, which calls for sharp reductions in heat-trapping greenhouse gases by the United States and 37 other industrial nations, was signed at the United Nations in New York by Peter Burleigh, acting U.S. ambassador.

In a statement, the White House said the signing "reaffirms America's commitment to work with the international community to turn the broad concepts of the Kyoto Protocol into working realities."

Earlier, Undersecretary of State Stuart Eizenstat told delegates to the 160-nation climate conference in Buenos Aires, Argentina, that the United States planned to sign the agreement. The announcement was greeted by applause from the delegates.

Signing the accord is largely symbolic since it must still be ratified by the Senate, something that is not likely anytime soon.

But opponents of the treaty quickly denounced the signing.

The signing of the treaty "blatantly contradicts the will of the Senate," declared Sen. Chuck Hagel, R-Neb., who has been one of the fiercest treaty opponents. He said the Senate made clear last year the treaty should not be signed unless it includes developing

countries.

Treaty opponents earlier this week cautioned the administration against signing, saying that would further galvanize opposition in Congress.

Under the treaty, the United States had until March to sign.

Agreed to in Kyoto, Japan,

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REP. JOHN DINGELL
D-MICHIGAN

last December, the climate pact has been signed by 57 countries, including every major industrial nation except the United States. It has been ratified by only one country, Fiji.

The administration has said it won't ask the Senate to consider the treaty until developing countries such as China agree to participate — and that could take several years.

But U.S. officials wanted to use the treaty signing to energize the negotiations at the climate conference concluding this week. They hoped it would help convince delegates from developing nations and Europe that the United States is taking the climate change seriously.

On Wednesday, Argentina said it would take voluntary action to curb greenhouse gases, a move seen as a breakthrough by U.S. officials because Argentina would be the first developing nation to make such a commitment. China and India, two of the biggest contributors of heat-trapping carbon, however, have steadfastly refused to participate.

The United States has been criticized by developing countries and Europeans for failing to curb greenhouse gases, mainly carbon dioxide from burning fossil fuels.

The signing, however, is expected to add fuel to the congressional debate over global warming.

In a letter to President Clinton this week, Sen. Robert C. Byrd, D-W.Va., urged against a high-profile signing of the accord at this time. He called it an "empty gesture that will only make the potential future approval of the (Kyoto) protocol by the Senate more difficult."

Another Democrat, Rep. John Dingell of Michigan, canceled plans to attend the Buenos Aires conference because he expected the treaty signing. "The timing of this signing only encourages countries who refuse to be part of any effort to limit greenhouse gas emissions," said Dingell, a staunch opponent of the Kyoto accord.

But supporters of the treaty — both in Congress and within the environmental community — have urged the administration to sign as a signal that the United States is moving ahead to address the climate issue.

Central America begins to rebuild

Associated Press

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras
Law students dug with shovels Thursday alongside roaring earth-moving equipment, trying to rid Honduras' capital of thick layers of mud left by Hurricane Mitch.

In Honduras and Nicaragua, where nearly 10,000 people died in the storm's fury, much of the recovery effort now involves sheer hard work by thousands of ordinary citizens.

"We will rebuild," insisted Francis Juarez, a law student whose hands were blistered from shoveling the foul-smelling black muck. An 8-foot-high watermark on the wall behind her showed how high the

Choluteca River rose on Oct. 30-31. The river normally flows two blocks away and 15 feet below.

"I had never seen my country like this," said Hector Duran, an engineering student standing in 2-foot-deep mud. "I did not realize the damage was so bad. If we all make an effort we will come out ahead."

In a radio broadcast Thursday, President Carlos Flores Facusse appealed to the United States and other countries to increase aid to his stricken nation and forgive its debts.

He also called on his countrymen to "redouble your efforts and your work to rebuild the country as rapidly as possible."

"The time has come for us to jointly face the apocalyptic reality of our villages and cities ... and try to create a Honduras that is renewed, vigorous, modern and better," Flores Facusse said.

Despite the recovery efforts, the nation's top business group urged the government to extend a curfew and state of emer-

gency imposed Nov. 2 to try to prevent looting.

Without unlimited police authority to arrest and jail suspects, "there will be chaos, desperation and more robberies," said Rigoberto Stefan, vice president of the Honduran Private Enterprise Council.

Meanwhile, aid continued to arrive from across the globe.

The Rome-based U.N. World Food Programme announced it would distribute more than 100,000 tons of rice, corn, fish and oil over the next six months in the hurricane-hit countries.

"With emergency assistance, these people are at extreme nutritional risk — in addition to facing the threat of cholera and other diseases," said Catherine

Bertini, the agency's executive director.

Flores Facusse said repairs could cost four times Honduras' \$1.2 billion annual budget. He urged the United States and other countries to forgive Honduras' \$4.3 billion in

debt, grant it free-trade status and help with "a massive supply of fresh resources to aid in rebuilding the country."

He also asked the European Union to lift limits on banana imports from Central America, although officials say this year's Honduran crop is virtually lost.

The United States is part of the Paris Club of creditor nations, which announced Thursday it would likely grant debt relief to Honduras and Nicaragua when it meets in early December.

France on Tuesday canceled debts owed by Nicaragua and Honduras, while Ireland, Britain, Italy, Mexico, Jamaica and dozens of other countries have sent help.

Officials put the Honduran death toll at 7,000, with another 11,000 people injured, 10,000 missing and 800,000 houses damaged or destroyed. In Nicaragua, the toll was 2,362 dead, 287 injured, 970 missing and 36,000 houses destroyed or damaged.

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■ RIGHT OR WRONG?

Is Notre Dame a 'Student-Centered Research University'?

Is a "student-centered research university" an "oxymoron"? That question was asked in a Report, "Reinventing Undergraduate Education: A Blueprint

Charles Rice



for America's Research Universities," issued last April by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. The Report analyzed undergrad education in the nation's 125 research universities.

The Report is optimistic on the potential of research universities. It urged "a new model ... to take advantage of ... graduate and research programs to strengthen ... undergraduate education, rather than striving to replicate the ... environment of the liberal arts colleges." The Report said universities can be "both student-centered and research-centered ... through a synergistic system in which faculty and students are learners and researchers, whose interactions make for a ... flourishing intellectual atmosphere."

The Report's positive proposals for integration of the undergrad and research functions merit serious consideration. Research is not of itself teaching, although in some areas, especially in some sciences, the research role does facilitate the improvement of undergrad education at Notre Dame and elsewhere. In general, however, as described in The Report, the emphasis on research has shortchanged undergrads, especially in the liberal arts. The Notre Dame experience may be instructive.

Two decades ago, Notre Dame embarked on its pursuit of recognition as a Great Research University. The historic

mission of Notre Dame had emphasized the education of undergrads in the Catholic intellectual and moral tradition, with research and graduate education playing important complimentary roles. Part of that mission was to maintain Notre Dame's accessibility to nonwealthy students. One impact of the pursuit of Research Greatness is the doubling since 1978, in real money adjusted for inflation, of undergrad tuition, room and board. Another is the transformation of the formerly pastoral Notre Dame into a crowded, urban-style research campus that prompted one former professor to say on his return, "It looks like Michigan State." And courses tend to be less accessible.

Are Notre Dame undergrads receiving double the value they received two decades ago? The Carnegie Report's general criticisms of undergrad education in research universities can be helpful to the Notre Dame community as a guide for an institutional examination of conscience.

"Research Universities," said the Report, "have too often failed, and continue to fail, their undergraduate populations. Tuition ... from undergraduates is one of the major sources of university income ... but the students ... get, in all too many cases, less than their money's worth. An undergraduate at an American research university can receive an education as good or better than anything ... in the world, but that is not the normative experience. ... [U]niversities are guilty of an advertising practice they would condemn in a commercial world. Recruitment materials display ... world-famous professors, the splendid facilities, and the ... research that goes on within them, but thousands of students graduate without ever seeing [those] professors or tasting genuine research. Some of their instructors are likely to be ... untrained teaching assistants ...; some others may be tenured drones who deliver set lectures from yellowed notes, making no effort to engage

the bored minds of the students in front of them ... The standing of a university is measured by the research productivity of its faculty; the place of a department ... is determined by whether its members garner more or fewer research dollars and publish more or less noteworthy research ...; the individual within that department is judged by the scholarship produced."

"[I]t is in research grants, books, articles, papers, and citations that every university defines its true worth. When students are considered, it is the graduate students that really matter; they are essential as research assistants on faculty projects, and their placement as post-doctoral fellows and new faculty reinforces the standing of the faculty that has trained them ... The use of graduate students ... has been treated as a necessity for ... both research programs and undergraduate instruction. This ... has often led to the importation of foreign students new to American education. The international graduate students ... must be welcomed; they have added strengths to research programs and, after graduation, to university faculties and research institutes. But the classroom results of employing teaching assistants who speak English poorly, and who are new to the American system of education constitute one of the conspicuous problems of undergraduate education. ... [T]he undergraduate ... may have little or no direct contact with established scholar-teachers. Instruction very often comes through ... the graduate student; the academic luminary featured in admissions bulletins appears rarely if at all in undergraduate classes, and then too often as the lecturer addressing hundreds of students."

"They might claim otherwise, but research universities consider 'success' and 'research productivity' to be ... synonymous terms. The typical department will assert that it does place a high value on effective teaching. ... At the same time, ... tenure and promotion are likely

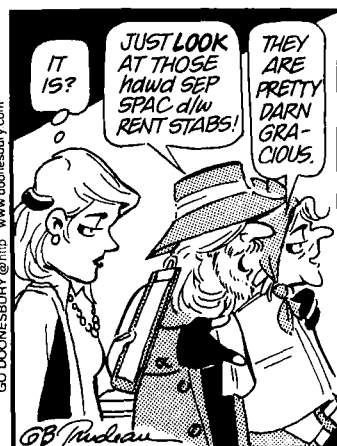
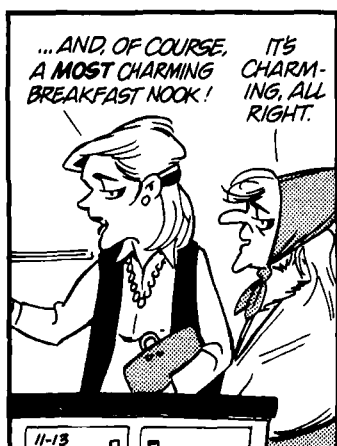
to focus almost entirely on research or creative productivity. ... The reward structures ... need to reflect the synergy of teaching and research — and the essential reality of university life: That baccalaureate students are the university's economic life blood and are increasingly self-aware ... [I]n the education of undergraduates the record of America's research universities has been one of inadequacy, even failure. ... Baccalaureate students are the second-class citizens who are allowed to pay taxes but are barred from voting, the guests at the banquet who pay their share of the tab but are given leftovers. Captivated by the excitement and the rewards of the research mission, research universities have not seriously attempted to think through what that mission might mean for undergraduates."

The Report is optimistic. It concludes that "the most important obligation confronting research universities is to define in more creative ways what it means to be a research university committed to teaching undergraduates." A more basic question which ought to be considered at this university, is whether the drive to become a Great Research University is not inherently destructive of the undergrad education which was the focus of the historic mission of Notre Dame. In any event, the Notre Dame community ought to reflect on the extent to which the Report's description of the deterioration of undergrad education might possibly apply to Notre Dame. The Report should prompt a constructive assessment of what our leaders, in their well-intentioned pursuit of Research Prestige and money, have done to the character of Notre Dame and what, if anything, can now be done about it.

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■ DOONESBURY



GARRY TRUDEAU

■ QUOTE OF THE DAY

'A great many people think they are thinking when they are merely rearranging their prejudices.'

—William James

■ CAPITAL COMMENTS

A Friday-the-13th Election Analysis

Talk about Friday-the-13th superstitions and I cringe with caution. If today a black cat should come anywhere within twenty yards of me, I will be looking for the tiniest white spot on it so as to

Gary Caruso



ease my jitters. I stay away from open ladders and wear garlic around my neck ... to ward of Gingrich-like Republicans!

Ten days ago the American public must also have worn garlic at the polling booths. Nationally, voters indicated that they wanted less partisanship and more problem solving from their Congressional representatives in both the House and Senate. As a result, they ended the short speakership of New Gingrich by rejecting Republican candidates.

Several dynamics were at play last week with many one-issue constituencies vying for the definitive political clout that would assure their candidates victory. Yet it was Newt Gingrich's combative leadership style that overshadowed the political landscape and nationalized the election. It was not so much of a referendum on Bill Clinton. Rather, it was a referendum on the Republican leadership's handling of Clinton.

Republicans claim that Gingrich displayed statesmanship when he decided to resign as Speaker of the House. Actually, it came down to votes, and Gingrich did not have the votes within his own party to continue as their leader. While he would have been nominated by his caucus, a block of Republicans were ready to deny him his reelection by dealing with the Democrats.

Earlier this week, Gingrich delivered his valedictory address to members of the conservative political action committee he established more than a decade ago. Naturally Gingrich wanted to preach to the choir, so he pounded on the old themes of strengthening our weak national defense and cutting taxes. However, he included several Clintonisms such as saving Social Security and improving our educational system.

Gingrich has been and will always be a self-serving combative politician. His true priorities come from his own mouth. People affiliated with Notre Dame always think of their priorities as inscribed above the Sacred Heart Basilica door, "God, Country and Notre Dame." Newt, on the other hand, and in a typically self-serving way, put his party before his country when he said, "It was easy to make Friday's decision. I had to ask what is right for my party, what is right for my country, and only then what was right for myself."

The American public wants moderation and a continuation of the economic prosperity of the 1990s. Gingrich's leap for Clinton's jugular, in the form of impeachment procedures and the wholesale release of the Starr Report, was too radical for the voters. When he authorized the attack television advertising, the voters became the school yard teacher, breaking up the fight between the two toughest kids on the playground.

Yet this same "school yard voter" boosted conservative Democrats like Indiana's Evan Bayh and Republicans like Texas Governor George W. Bush. However, they booted conservative Notre Dame alumnus Dan Lungren in the California gubernatorial race. Voters across the country rewarded candidates who came across as reasonable and in touch, while they rejected those who ran on stale platforms.

A "stale platform" focused on issues of yesterday, causing the candidate to sink in the polls until election day when the loss tallied by substantial margins. Stale campaign issues included crime (Lungren), voting records and "putz-head" name calling (Sen. Al D'Amato of New York), or remaining a Washington outsider (Rep. Linda Smith accusing Sen. Patty Murray of Washington).

One of the freshest successful campaigns was run by Wisconsin Sen. Russ Feingold who allowed his 20-point lead to dwindle because he

ran on the principle of voluntarily limiting his campaign expenditures. Yet he still defeated his Republican opponent who did not limit so-called "soft money" — supportive expenditures paid for by outside interests.

The most unique winner this year was by far the most outrageous candidate, former professional wrestler and now Minnesota Governor-elect "The Body" Ventura. Ventura simply let the Democrats and Republicans toss bombs at one another, a la Gingrich style, while he provided the voters with straight talk from his heart. Ventura may not have yet demonstrated an ability to govern, but his style thus far gives hope to many that third party candidates can regularly succeed.

One interesting aside to this year's election is the drifting of many religious causes. While the current buzz word for pro-life advocates is "partial-birth," other organized church groups are being considered as one-issue or fringe elements of the electorate. As a result, candidates are increasingly ignoring questionnaires sent by religious organizations, including the Catholic Church.

In the Washington, D.C., area alone, nearly all of the major Democrats did not answer the Washington Archdiocese questionnaire. In fact, the campaign staffs of these candidates insulated their candidates from The Catholic Standard's reporters. Those candidates who avoided Church reporters were themselves Catholics (and eventual winners) running for governor of Maryland and mayor and council of the District of Columbia.

Upon inspection of the questions posed to the candidates, I would have also passed if I was a candidate. The questions were in no order of importance and were quite slanted in their wording. I would have expected this type of document to come from died-in-the-wool Republican televangelists, not my Archdiocese.

For example, the order of the issues as listed in the "voters' guide" for the governor's race in Maryland were: 1.) Education-related tax relief, 2.) Religiously-affiliated health care providers, 3.) Same-sex marriage, 4.) Utility deregulation, 5. & 6.) Welfare income support and education, 7.) Abstinence education, 8.) Assisted suicide prohibition, 9.) Death penalty, 10.) Gambling, 11.) Housing, 12.) Parental consent, 13. & 14.) Partial-birth abortion ban and taxpayer-funded abortions, and 15.) Textbooks and technology.

The religious agenda was easily discernible. On the one hand, the gambling question with little affect on Catholicism read, "Do you support the legalization of casino gambling in Maryland?"

On the other hand, the question regarding textbooks and technology read, "Maryland is not among the 37 states which provide funding for the provision of a variety of constitutionally-permissible goods and services to nonpublic-school students. Will you include at least \$14 million [approximately \$112 per student] in your budget to help provide constitutionally-permissible nonreligious textbooks and technology to students who attend nonpublic schools in Maryland?"

The Catholic Church is dangerously close to becoming painted as a "fringe" element of the electorate like the hard-core Christian right, and will be doomed to fall from the mainstream of politics. Catholics will be lumped with the Pat Robertsons and Jerry Falwells of the right who are most notably known for such stale, partisan Republican rhetoric as Falwell's defense of Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr always beginning with, "He is a good Christian man ..."

In e-mails to me, I have been accused of being a whining liberal when in fact I was predicting the downfall of Newt Gingrich, albeit two years later than it occurred. With Gingrich gone, I am predicting (again) that Al Gore and the House Democrats will win the 2000 election.

Call me whiny. Call me liberal. But please don't cross your fingers when you say that on Friday-the-13th.

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■ WHAT YOU MISSED

The Voting Blues

Apparently less than 38 percent of Americans did not vote last week. For all of you no-shows out there, here is what you missed.

Jeff Langan

About 10:30 a.m. last Tuesday, I panicked. Did I remember to register? Registration in Indiana is difficult. The deadline is Oct. 5, one month before the election. If you want to vote you have to be able to plan at least a month in advance. Lucky for me, I renewed my license last year. If I remember correctly, the lady at the license bureau did all she

could to keep me from registering. She rolled her eyes when I tried to make sure that I actually would be registered, but register I did.

Realizing I had overcome the registration hurdle, I decided to surf the Web to learn about the candidates, their arguments, policy positions, etc. This proved to be a daunting task.

The Web is not quicker and easier. A quick search for "Indiana elections 1998" produced references to elections in California, Idaho, Montana, and Minnesota, everything but Indiana elections. It even produced a reference to Jesse "The Body" Ventura's election page.

By the way, Miss Ellis, imagine the scene when "The Body" becomes president and battles the Speaker of the House. Potential Speaker Livingston has said, "I don't know who might try to pick on me, but I'm a big kid. I've got a black belt in Tae Kwon Do." I can't wait to see Livingston and Ventura in a cage match.

Finally, The great wrestlers from the WWF are finding acceptance in the larger culture. Miss Ellis shouldn't mock wrestling by focusing on the current era of generalized decay. Jesse "The Body's" victory shows that the great wrestlers of the '80s (The Hulkster, Jake "The Snake" Roberts, Rowdy Roddy Piper, and Hillbilly Jim to name a few), are ready to assume leadership positions among the nation's political elite. If more of these fellows get involved, it will certainly alter the political landscape.

Back to the elections. I found some articles about the candidates, mostly how they were doing in the polls, their fund-raising techniques, their emotions as elections approached, analysis of their own and others' political advertisements, but not much about their positions on major policy issues. What can one expect from an election day search?

No time left for arguments, I made some phone calls. Lucky for me, I know some townies who keep up on local politics. They gave me an earful. So and so is bad because he got money for a bridge and not for the schools. So and So is good because he arranged to get the leaves picked up. So and So is good because he finally cut off his mustache.

Armed with plenty of info, I headed to the polling station, located in the local mental institution. Entering the station, I had difficulty telling who belonged where. I even unsuspectingly tried to check in and was politely directed to another room. Polling rooms always smell like food. This one was no exception. As I entered, three high-school girls wearing name tags, "clerk," "clerk" and "sheriff," were eating big greasy hamburgers. They handed me a greasy registration list, asked me to sign, and told me to press hard so the ink would show up on the page.

I then noticed that many former residents of my house were still on the voter's list, even though some lived there ten and fifteen years ago. Now, how did they keep voting all these years? The clerk, the clerk, and the sheriff didn't ask me for any ID. Now I know why they say, "Vote early and vote often."

Next, I had to wait in line. I decided to make some conversation. "So you're the Sheriff, the Clerk, and the Clerk. How'd you get your job?"

"Anything for a day off school," the Clerk tells me. "And you get paid, and you get to miss writing class, civics, and psychology. Anything for a day off school."

"How did you get to be the Clerk, the Clerk, and the Sheriff?"

Silence.

"Do they have to swear you in so you can represent them?"

"Oh yeah. They came by this morning and we had to say some stuff, and they gave us some instructions, and told us what we could and couldn't do."

This piqued my interest. "What can't you do?"

"Well, ya know, we can't influence anybody with our political ideology or anything like that." One wonders whether it is a requirement or a rule?

The hamburger smell was making me hungry, so I asked them where they got the burgers.

"Well, ya know," Clerk 2 says pushing a big bite between her cheek and gum, "they're from a place called Bizzel's or Busby's or Bubsy's, I don't know what they're called right now, but their burgers are really good. I eat lots of 'em. But it's terrible trying to eat all these burgers while tryin' to do your job."

My time to vote arrived. I couldn't figure out how to close the curtain.

The inspector told me to pull down the red lever. Being an informed voter, I didn't vote straight party, which is an option in Indiana, but flicked one lever at a time. There was one candidate in particular I wanted to get on the school board because this candidate visited my house last week. Of course, the election tricksters put this particular race on the lower right part of the ballot below the waist. They must have been thinking, out of sight, out of mind. But I found the lever and proudly cast my vote.

When I finally re-pulled the lever to open the curtain and leave, I pulled so hard the whole machine shook. You might say this was a vote that would have made Jesse "The Body" proud.

This, my friends, is American Democracy in action.

Jeff Langan is a Government graduate student. Fans of "Hacksaw" Jim Duggin and "The Junkyard Dog" angry with their omission from the list of former wrestlers with bright political prospects can e-mail their complaints to Langan.4@nd.edu.

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November 14

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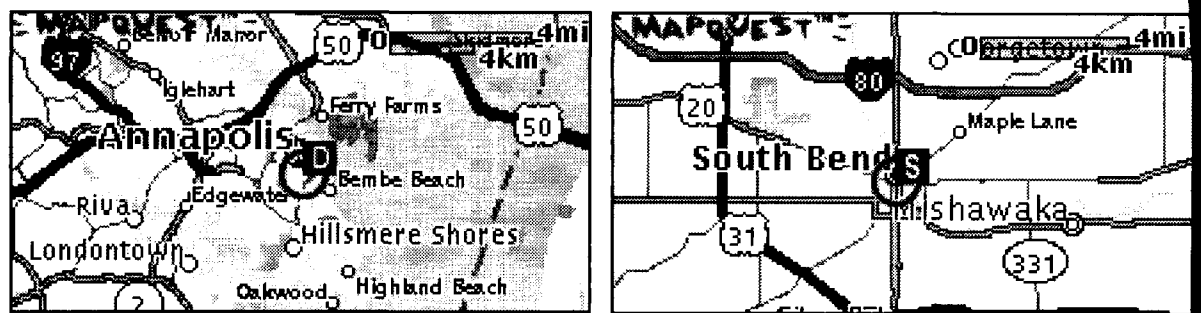
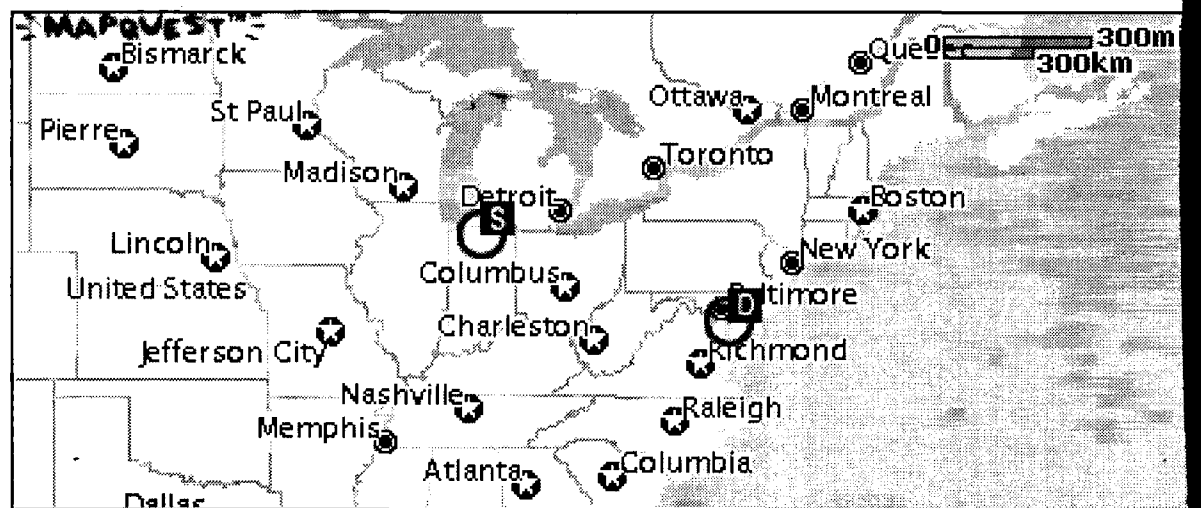
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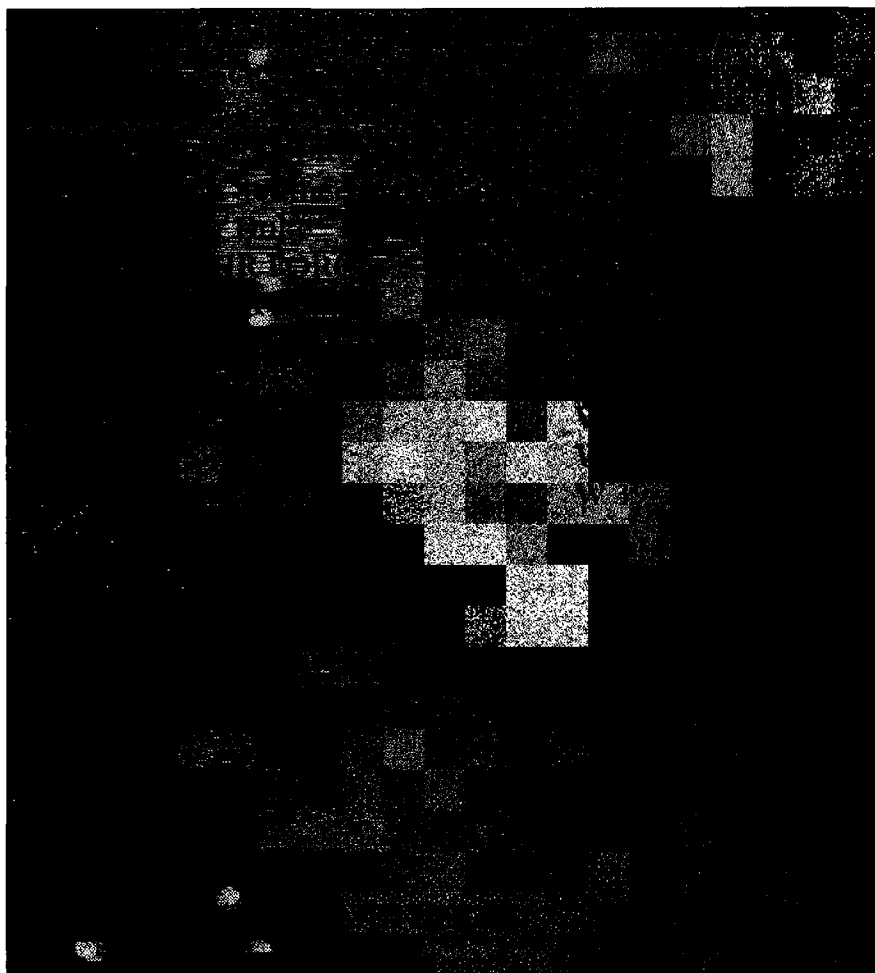
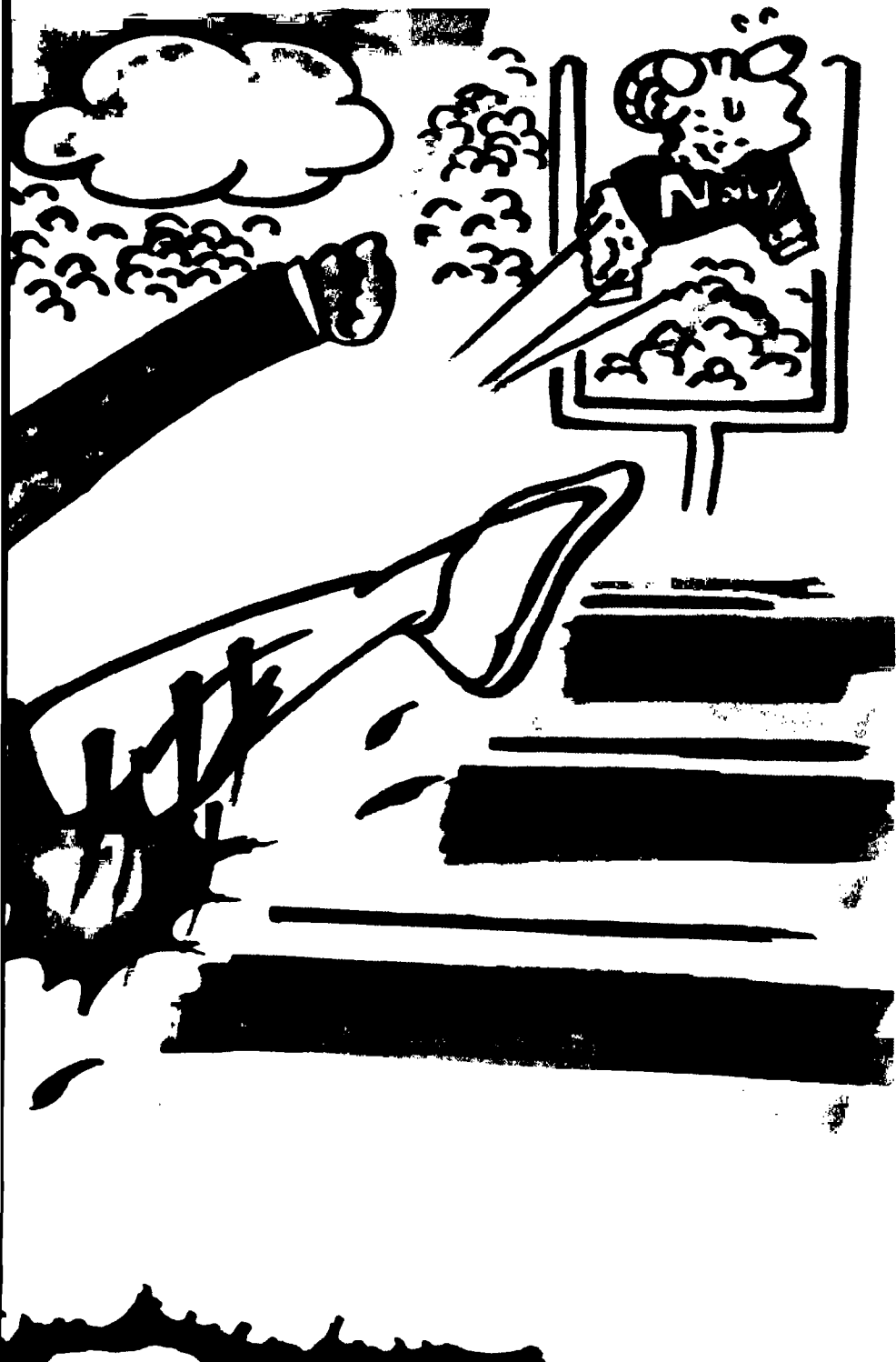
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Last Notre Dame win:

1997 (21-17 at Notre Dame)

This year marks the 72nd meeting of Notre Dame and Navy. Notre Dame has won the past 34 games against Navy.



■ COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Drexler lifts U of Houston

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Most college basketball fans come to see the players. At the University of Houston, they're coming to see the coach.

The Cougars are preparing for their first season under future Hall of Famer Clyde Drexler, who surprised fans this spring by retiring from the Houston Rockets to return to his alma mater.

Drexler has yet to coach a regular season game, but all 8,500 seats at Hofheinz Arena have been sold for every game thanks in part to a "Come Glyde With Clyde" advertising campaign. The school also has sold all 24 of its new luxury boxes for the next three years.

That sort of preseason frenzy didn't even happen during Drexler's Phi Slama Jama days.

"Actually, it kind of takes pressure off us," said freshman Gee Gervin, son of former NBA great George Gervin who came to Houston specifically to play for Drexler. "They are coming to see what Clyde does. It should be fun. Clyde brings a lot of exposure for us. He's bringing the fans, and that brings attention to the team."

The Cougars finished 9-20 last season under Alvin Brooks. They went 2-14 in Conference USA to finish at the bottom of the league, the same place they're predicted to finish this season.

Drexler, mindful that his presence could be a distraction, has closed practices to avoid what he calls "a circus atmosphere" of people watching his every move.

"Coming right out of the NBA, people are interested to know how you like the coaching profession," Drexler said. "I just want the players to be totally focused for what we are trying to do."

With fans banned from practice, the Cougars are left alone with Drexler, whose presence could be intimidating.

It's not.

"He makes people feel comfortable, not like he's a superstar and you can't talk to him," guard Roy Spears said. "He greets everyone with open arms. You feel comfortable and not afraid to tell him what's on your mind."

Returning starter Chad Hendrick said the

Cougars want to make a good impression on their famous coach.

"It makes you a little nervous because he expects so much from us," Hendrick said. "Sometimes you wonder if he were out there, what would he do? We have to be up to his standards."

Drexler doesn't think his star status is a problem.

"I am who I am, you can't change that," Drexler said. "At the same time, the guys have been great to work with. They've shown a lot of discipline and that's made me feel good. They are willing participants."

The Cougars lost last year's leading rebounder, Galen Robinson, and leading assist man Shamahn McBride, who combined for 25.2 points per game. They return three starters: Hendrick, Treva Crosby and Kenny Younger. The incoming freshman class includes Gervin and Moses Malone Jr.

"I don't spend sleepless nights thinking about expectations," Drexler said. "Our two best players left and we didn't have a chance to recruit, so there aren't a lot of expectations. I do expect them to compete and remain respectable."

The Drexler attraction has already pulled in the makings of a great recruiting class for next season. He signed two of the city's top high school players and a highly rated junior college star on Wednesday, the beginning of the early signing period.

Guard Antonio Falu averaged 22.1 points and 8.7 assists and 3.3 steals last season while leading Houston Waltrip to the Class 4A state championship and forward George Williams averaged 13 points, 15.3 rebounds and four blocks per game as a junior for Houston Elkins. Center Chris Anderson averaged 10.1 points and 7.7 rebounds last season for Blinn Junior College.

Drexler played for former Cougars coach Guy V. Lewis, who attends practices and offers advice. Drexler said he takes the advice, but won't copy the trademark red checkered towel Lewis used on the bench.

"That was Guy V's legacy and it served him well," Drexler said, "but I'll have to create my own superstitions."

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■ WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Lady Vols start season out at Purdue

Associated Press

One thing that Tennessee coach Pat Summitt has figured out in 24 seasons of coaching is how to get her players' attention. Her No. 1 Lady Vols started this week with a visit to the White House as the defending NCAA national champions. They raise their championship banner and receive their rings tonight when they play host to Portland in their season opener.

But in case the players want to enjoy the view from the top, Summitt will be taking them to West Lafayette, Ind., for their first real test of the season Sunday against No. 5 Purdue in the State Farm Hall of Fame Tip-off Classic.

"Anytime you take a team on the road, regardless of which team you might take — a veteran team, a young team, a combination thereof, which is what we have — it always gets their attention," Summitt said. "And this group can obviously use that."

The Lady Vols' already hectic week became even crazier on their return flight from Washington. They were forced to land in Nashville and board a bus for a three-hour ride east to Knoxville, where they didn't arrive until 4:30 a.m., forcing Summitt to rethink when to hold practice.

The company that Tennessee has been keeping the past few years as the winner of six national championships, combined with the Lady Vols' stature as one of the best teams in

women's basketball, can be daunting.

Purdue coach Carolyn Peck saw that intimidation factor personally when she was an assistant on Summitt's staff from 1993-95. She watched as Tennessee intimidated opposing players even during warmups, and she is determined not to let that happen to her team.

"We want to go out, play hard and play our game and do the things we've worked on, and let the chips fall where they may so we don't get caught up," said Peck, who will be coaching against

Summitt for the first time.

The classic features No. 10 North Carolina vs. No. 11 Kansas in the first game, followed by the Lady Boilermakers and Tennessee. At least 10,000 fans are expected to attend.

Summitt took Tennessee to the inaugural classic in 1993, and she picked up her 500th career victory in that game against another former assistant. The Lady Vols beat Ohio State and coach Nancy Darsch.

By playing Purdue, this season's Lady Vols dig into a schedule that takes them on the road to face Top 25 opponents like Louisiana Tech and Connecticut. It's part of Summitt's philosophy of building for March and the NCAA tournament.

But Summitt said facing the toughest competition keeps players from looking too far down the road.

"It improves our practice and just our intensity overall in terms of preparation," she said.



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■ COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Georgia Tech a game from winning ACC

Associated Press

CLEMSON, S.C.

Georgia Tech running back Joe Burns was thinking about only one thing during the last drive: "The season."

"We kept saying, 'We've got to score, we've got to score.' We knew if we wanted to win the ACC championship, we had to do it," said Burns, whose 1-yard TD run with one minute left lifted No. 22 Georgia Tech to a 24-21 victory over Clemson on Thursday night.

With a victory at home next week against Wake Forest, the Yellow Jackets (7-2, 6-1) clinch a tie for their first title in eight years.

For Clemson (2-8, 1-7), it was another dark night in its blackest season in 23 years. The Tigers were up 21-17 in the fourth quarter and choked off one Georgia Tech drive.

But Tech quarterback Joe Hamilton got the ball back with 2:30 to go, finding Charlie Rogers for 28 yards and Dez White for 15 to Clemson's 4. Two plays later, Burns burst in for the go-ahead score.

The Tigers' final possession couldn't get past its 23.

"If we didn't get it and we lost the ACC title, we wouldn't have anyone to point the fingers at except ourselves," said Hamilton, who was 17-of-32 for 190 yards. "That's what kept us going."

Georgia Tech, which came in with the league's highest-scoring offense, looked helpless most of the game.

Hamilton, the conference leader in pass efficiency, twice dropped the ball while running. White, second in the league with eight TD catches, bobbled away his ninth in the second quarter after gaining two steps on the defender.

Meanwhile, Clemson quarterback Brandon Streeter was on target with a 3-yard TD pass to Marcus Martin and a 48-yarder to Brian Wofford for a 21-17 lead.

"You can't win games like that all the time," Hamilton said. "But it shows our character, shows our teamwork, shows we can come back and make the plays when we need it."

Hamilton was burned by a late Death Valley comeback two years ago in a 28-25 loss, but said he only remembered a 41-31 loss in the year's opening game against Boston College.

"We had a chance to win that, but we didn't," Hamilton said. "We've come a long way since then."

Hamilton shook off two incompletions to lead the final scoring drive. As Burns stepped over the goal line, Hamilton pumped his fists and glided back to his teammates on the sidelines.

White caught seven passes for 71 yards.

■ NBA

NBA lockout turns to huge losses

Associated Press

NEW YORK

There came a time 2 1/2 weeks ago, with Michael Jordan giving the final push just like he does on the court, when the NBA lockout might have been settled.

Progress was being made, the sides were talking earnestly and unofficial proposals were being floated by both sides.

It was time to make a deal, yet no one wanted to take the final shot.

Looking back Thursday on that moment, commissioner David Stern admits it was a golden opportunity that shouldn't have passed without a better fight.

"I've been doing this for 30 years, and I'm used to negotiating through the night. At 1 a.m., I was just getting started," Stern said of the 8 1/2-hour bargaining session Oct. 28.

"I wouldn't say we were close to a deal, but we were on track. We were trying. But it was clear that they were going to reject whatever number we were going to come up with."

That one moment of reluctance to take a bold step is one of the reasons why the NBA lockout is now in its 134th day and showing no sign of being resolved.

Stern expected to receive a phone call from union director Billy Hunter on Thursday after Hunter vowed to make one. But the call apparently was never placed, giving Stern one more reason to view anything Hunter says with heavy skepticism.

As the lack of trust increases, the possibility decreases that a lengthy NBA season can be saved. The entire November schedule has been lost, half of the December schedule is gone and it appears the sides won't make a deal on a new collective bargaining agreement until the last possible moment.

When that time will come — Dec. 10? Dec. 25? Jan. 4? — is anyone's guess.

In an hour-long interview with The Associated Press in his Fifth Ave. office, Stern refused to set a drop-dead date for saving the regular season, but said some owners are gung-ho to scrap it.

Stern also expressed dismay at the rhetoric coming from the union and said the All-Star game

won't be canceled simply to squeeze in extra games.

"The question is not whether we'll cancel the season, but whether we'll make a deal," Stern said, "because if we don't make a deal, the season will not be played."

"They have told us that unless we are prepared to continue paying the same percentage that we're currently paying, then they are prepared to have the season canceled. So they haven't given the owners much of an option. They have thrown down a gauntlet."

"As far as I'm concerned, the enormity of the losses that we're suffering should require us to be negotiating now, but we just can't seem to get it done. We can't get to first base."

No formal talks have been held since last Friday, and the full bargaining teams, including owners and players, haven't been in the same room since the night Jordan showed up.

The players have since said they won't return to the table until the owners are ready to give ground. And Hunter says many players and agents believe he has already put too many concessions on the table — a luxury tax, escrow tax, reduction in annual salary cap increases, a reduction in the maximum raise from 20 percent to 10 percent and a lengthier rookie salary scale.

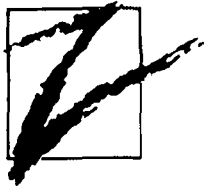
"Those are all nice things," Stern said, "but they don't address the fundamental issue of what a fair split is."

"In fairness to them, those are different things that will try to achieve that result. But we did that under the old deal and the percentage (of revenues devoted to salaries) went from 52 to 57. We were hoping that it wouldn't, but it did. So now we need something that tells us where we'll be. Period."

Stern said the owners would stand to lose more than \$400 million if the season was canceled, while the players would lose \$1 billion in salaries.

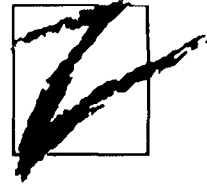
Now that an 82-game season is an impossibility, the impetus to get a deal done before the cutoff date — whenever it is — seems to lie with players wanting to stem further salary losses. But the players don't expect the owners to move off their current proposal until the 11th hour.

"The sad part about that is the enormous losses that will have been suffered by both sides at that point," Stern said.



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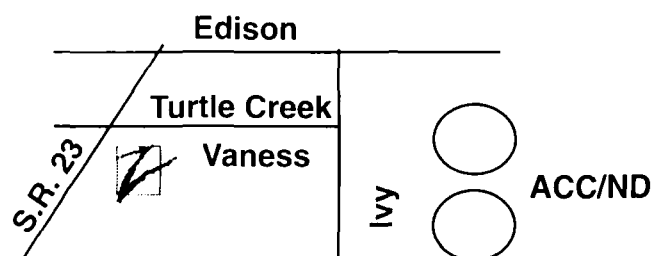
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■ COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Jayhawks ride ups and downs

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. Take it from someone who's been coaching basketball for 40 years — the Big 12 is sinking and rising at the same time.

"I don't think there's a team in our league right now that you could say is in the top 15," Oklahoma State coach Eddie Sutton said. "But the overall quality is better."

Behind the extraordinary talents of All-Americans Paul Pierce and Raef LaFrentz, Kansas went 69-6 over the past two seasons, including a remarkably dominant 36-2 in the Big 12. Packing such national prominence, the Jayhawks lifted team power rankings throughout the league.

Now Kansas, which also lost 3-point specialist Billy Thomas, isn't even picked to repeat as conference champs. That distinction goes to Sutton's Cowboys, who return four starters from last year's team that went 22-7.

At the same time the Jayhawks are coming back to the pack, a number of Big 12 teams appear ready to rise.

Missouri, with a talent-laden freshman class for Norm Stewart, is an intriguing possibility, as is Oklahoma.

And what about Texas? The Longhorns have one of the league's three new head coaches in Rick Barnes and the player revolt that chased Tom Penders out of Austin has been quelled. Even though they can't agree on the spelling of their first names, the Longhorns are blessed with gifted athletes in Kris Clack and Chris Mihm.

Many believe this could also be a breakthrough year for Kansas State and troubled-but-talented senior forward Manny Dies. And while Nebraska lost all-conference point guard Tyrone Lue, the Huskers retained the league's top returning rebounder in senior center Venson Hamilton.

Even Texas A&M is expecting improvement from the 7-20 record in coach Tony Barone's last season.

"We know how to finish last," said new head coach Melvin Watkins, who has most of the Aggies' rebounding and scoring returning. "It's a matter of taking it one game at a time, one step at a time. Every day they're going to hear the word, 'Win.'"

Gone are the days when it was "Kansas and the Irrelevant Eleven."

"What you're going to see is everybody is closer to Kansas," Sutton said. "We just don't have a Kansas to showcase the conference like we had in the past."

Still, the Jayhawks have won seven conference titles in the past eight years and nobody expects them to just go to pieces. Roy brought in a good freshman class, including highly regarded point guard Jeff Boschee. The same preseason poll that picked Oklahoma State first dared not predict anything lower than second for the Jayhawks.

Injuries, however, have further clouded the picture as forwards T.J. Pugh and Ashante Johnson are recovering from surgery.

"We're way behind where we'd like to be. But the calendar keeps moving so we've got to be ready," Williams said.

One thing Williams knows not to expect is sympathy from his coaching peers. In the past two years, only Stewart has been able to beat him.

"The other coaches would never agree Kansas is an underdog, and could probably care less about our injury situation," Williams said. "I liked it better when we were picked No. 1. But if it means less pressure on our kids, that's fine."

Stewart, the dean of Big 12 coaches, has the preseason pick for freshman of the year in Keyon Dooling, a 6-foot-3 guard from Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

"Keyon Dooling is a guy who had a lot of recognition, and he deserved it," Stewart said. "He's a very good athlete. The thing that sticks out in my mind is he's very down to earth. A nice person, and he's very talented. We just don't want to put all our expectations on Keyon because he's just a freshman."

Sutton figures the only starter he lost, center Brett Robisch, may be harder to replace than people think.

But he's not shying away from predictions that this team will be special.

"I'm beginning my 40th year of coaching. Some years you don't look forward to with much optimism," he said. "But I look forward to coaching this ballclub. I like the team. Last season ... by the end of the year, we were a very good basketball team. That's one reason we're ranked so high."

■ BOXING

Young girl set to duke it out down under

Associated Press

GOLD COAST, Australia An 11-year-old girl is set to fight in a boxing tournament which has been banned by one local government and condemned by medical authorities.

Zoe Norford was nominated for next week's girls' under-13 championship of the breakaway Australian Amateur Boxing League, an official said Friday.

"There is nothing illegal about what we are doing," AABL secretary Dennis Magnay said.

He admitted the organization was forced to move the tournament from New South Wales to neighboring Queensland because state laws against female boxing existed in the former. He conceded some people might be shocked by the idea of young

girls boxing at the tournament, scheduled for Nov. 16-18.

"I understand how it can be a shock to their systems because it's something new, but given a few years it will be absolutely nothing," Magnay said. "We make sure that they are well protected — that's the main thing."

"They wear a head guard, a compulsory breast protector, slightly softer gloves and box shorter rounds than the boys."

Magnay said women boxers also had to undergo a pregnancy test the day of their fights.

He said he was sure that in a few years, when people understood more about women in boxing, it would become more accepted.

"So many people are frightened about things they don't understand," Magnay said.

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■ MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Torre wins AL Manager of Year

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Once again, Joe Torre breezed to a big win. Torre was the overwhelming choice as the AL Manager of the Year on Thursday, earning the award after his New York Yankees set a league record for victory and swept the World Series.

"You don't expect anything," Torre said. "A lot of managers, because they have a good team, don't necessarily get this award."

Torre got 23 of 28 first-place votes, four seconds and one third for 128 points in voting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

Boston's Jimmy Williams was a distant second with three firsts, 12 seconds and eight thirds for 59 points. Anaheim's Terry Collins was third with two firsts, seven seconds and seven thirds for 38 points. Texas' Johnny Oates was fourth with 11 points, followed by Cleveland's Mike Hargrove (8). Toronto's Tim Johnson was tied for sixth with Chicago's Jerry Manuel (4 each).

"After winning the World Series, this is obviously a tremendous honor because the people who vote for this follow baseball on a day-to-day basis," Torre said.

Torre split the award with Oates in 1996 after leading the Yankees to the World Series title.

Torre, close to getting a two-year extension from the Yankees through the 2001 season, also won The Associated Press Manager of the Year award last week.

New York finished the regular season 114-48. The Yankees went 11-2 in the postseason, cap-

ping the year by sweeping the San Diego Padres in the World Series. At 125-50, they had the most combined regular and postseason wins ever.

"What makes me a good manager is pretty good players," Torre said. "You can't win the Derby on a quarter horse. We have quality here and quality with a lot of heart."

One of those key players is AL batting champion Bernie Williams, and his future was clearly on Torre's mind Thursday. Unsubstantiated rumors have had Arizona offering the free agent center fielder \$100 million, reports the Diamondbacks have denied.

"I guess that could mean Bernie is gone," Torre said, "but I'm not going to necessarily believe everything I hear until I hear it from (general manager) Brian Cashman or Bernie Williams makes a phone call to me."

Williams visited the Diamondbacks this week and is set to visit the Baltimore Orioles and Boston Red Sox next week. Planning for a future without him, the Yankees are bringing in Brian Jordan for a visit next week.

"He's obviously one of the guys were looking at. Hopefully we don't have to make that decision," Torre said. "Yes, he would be a good replacement. I don't like to make comparisons. Bernie meant so much to this organization the years he was here and hopefully in the future."

Torre was happy to learn David Cone will be back, agreeing Wednesday night to an \$8 million, one-year deal. Cone went 20-7 this year, becoming a 20-game winner for the first time in a decade.

■ NHL

Salo's shutout leads Islanders to 4-0 win

Associated Press

UNIONDALE, N.Y.

Tommy Salo made 21 saves for his league-leading fourth shutout and Mariusz Czerkawski scored his first two goals this season as the New York Islanders beat the Montreal Canadiens 4-0 Thursday night.

Barry Richter and Robert Reichel also scored for the Islanders, who evened their record at 8-8 — the sixth time this season New York reached the .500 mark.

Salo, who faced few tough chances, has started all 16 games for the Islanders. Half of his wins have been shutouts.

Montreal was shut out for the second straight game, after losing to New Jersey 3-0 on Wednesday night.

Jocelyn Thibault made his

first start in five games for the Canadiens and turned aside 21 shots. Thibault hasn't won since a 3-2 victory over Ottawa on Oct. 21.

The first period had few whistles early on, as the teams played a stretch of over four minutes without a stoppage. The only goal of the period came with 1:25 left, as Richter snuck in from the point and deflected Ted Donato's pass past Thibault.

Czerkawski scored twice in the second period to put New York up 3-0. He beat Thibault with a wrist shot from the right circle at 4:53 and put a backhand past the goalie's pads at 8:56.

Reichel picked up his fourth goal 13 seconds into the third. With a sweeping motion, he knocked the puck away from defenseman Patrice Brisebois and between Thibault's pads.

Struggling Caps fall to Hasek & Buffalo

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Dominik Hasek made 23 saves for his third shutout of the year and the Buffalo Sabres extended their unbeaten streak to seven games with a 2-0 victory over the struggling Washington Capitals on Thursday night.

The Sabres are 4-0-3 in their last seven games, equaling the current 5-0-2 streak by the Phoenix Coyotes for the NHL's longest unbeaten string of the season.

Hasek, who has started and finished each of Buffalo's 13 games this year, recorded his 36th career shutout.

Dixon Ward and Miroslav Satan scored for the Sabres, who are 2-0-2 in their last four road games.

Washington, coming off an eight-goal outburst in Ottawa on Nov. 7, was shut out for the second time this season and has not won at MCI Center since blanking Anaheim 1-0 on Oct. 10 in the season opener. The Capitals are 1-5-2 in their last eight games.

Capitals goaltender Olie Kolzig, playing in his first game since signing a four-year, \$12 million contract extension on Nov. 9, made 23 saves but

couldn't prevent Washington from falling to 1-4-2 at home.

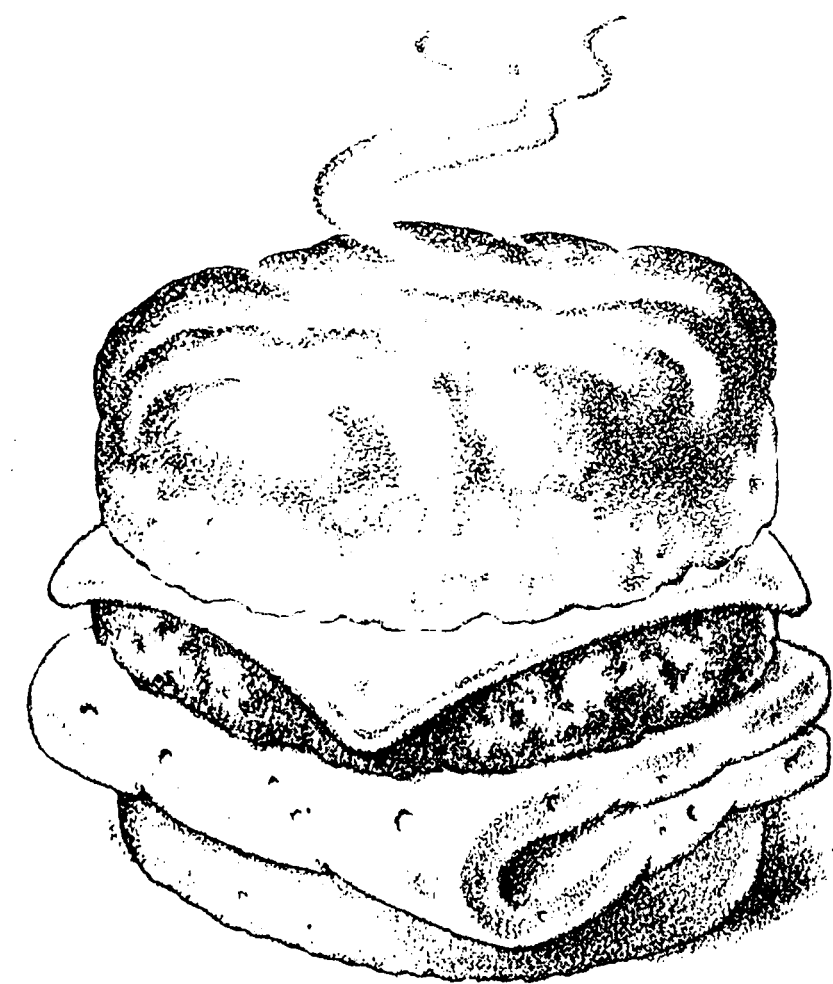
Ward's fourth goal caromed off two Capitals and the right post for a 1-0 Buffalo lead 2:33 into the game. Ward cut loose from the right point and the puck glanced off a diving Mike Eagles in the circle and Ken Klee, who was clearing Vaclav Varada from in front of the net.

Early in the second period, when Kolzig couldn't smother a loose puck during a goal-mouth scramble, Satan skated down the slot to whack it past him for a 2-0 lead.

The Capitals thought they had scored 14:58 into the second period, but referee Blaine Angus nullified an apparent goal by Craig Berube when a video replay showed that Berube was in the crease when he scored from the right post.

Washington was 0-for-6 on the power play and didn't test Hasek until late in the game. With 8:30 left, Hasek gobbled up Brian Bellows' wrist shot from deep in the slot.

A minute later, Hasek came out of the net to block Joe Juneau's attempt from the left wing. The puck ricocheted right back to Juneau's stick, but his second shot in the sequence trickled inches wide of the left post.



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■ HOCKEY

Hockey hosts Bowling Green, national champ Michigan

By TED BASSANI
Sports Writer

This weekend, the Notre Dame hockey team has a chance to further solidify their standing atop the CCHA with home conference games versus the Falcons of Bowling Green and the Michigan Wolverines, the defending national champions.

Tonight, the Irish square off against Bowling Green and head coach Buddy Powers, who recently notched his 200th career coaching win. To the surprise of many, the Falcons have started off well, tallying seven points in their first seven CCHA games (3-3-1). Their biggest team accomplishment so far was their 6-5 upset of the Northern Michigan Wildcats, currently ranked ninth in the nation, on NMU's home ice.

Last season, the Falcons struggled to a last place finish in the CCHA (6-21-3) thanks to numerous injuries, none more noticeable than the one in which forward Adam Edinger tore up his knee. "They had a very strange year last year," said Irish coach Dave Poulin. "They had injuries, they had a year every coach fears."

Even though the Falcons struggled last season, they managed to play Notre Dame close in each of the three games between the two clubs. The Irish squeaked out two one-goal wins (including one in OT) and a

tie in the three games.


The first game between the two teams, which took place last November in the Joyce Center, provided one of the most memorable moments of the season. Center Ben Simon displayed his great speed and stickhandling talents on a great end-to-end rush as the Irish were on the penalty kill.

The rush culminated with a brilliant shot to the lower left side of the net, all as Simon shielded himself from a BGSU defender, to provide what turned out to be the game-winning goal for Notre Dame in a tight 2-1 contest.

This year, the Falcons come in healthy, with a big, physical team capable of winning in a conference like the CCHA, which is known for physical play. "Their defense is huge; they will clear out in front of the net," said Poulin.

The leader of this Falcons squad is senior captain Dan Price, who leads their team in goals (five), points (10), and is second in assists (five). In addition to his experience and leadership capabilities, according to Notre Dame's head coach, "He's an all-around player. He'll kill penalties for them, he'll be on the power play, he'll take a regular shift. He's a big, strong, physical guy."

Perhaps an Achilles heel so far for the Falcons has been their penalty-killing unit, currently ranked last in the conference, operating thus far at 80 percent efficiency. This weakness plays right into Notre Dame's hands, as they come in with the league's top power play unit at 29.7 percent.



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2	Michigan St.	6	4-	0-	2	10	20	9	5-	0-	2	23	10
3	Northern Michigan	6	4-	2-	0	8	24	15	8-	2-	0	44	24
4	Ferris State	6	4-	2-	0	8	24	15	5-	2-	1	30	19
5	Michigan	5	4-	1-	0	8	16	10	5-	2-	0	23	17
6	Bowling Green	7	3-	3-	1	7	21	29	4-	4-	1	28	36
7	Western Michigan	8	1-	3-	4	6	16	26	1-	3-	4	16	26
8	Miami (Ohio)	8	1-	5-	2	4	25	32	2-	6-	2	31	39
9	Ohio State	6	1-	3-	2	4	13	17	1-	6-	2	22	31
10	Alaska Fairbanks	6	2-	4-	0	4	15	25	3-	5-	0	21	32
11	Lake Superior St.	6	0-	5-	1	1	9	18	0-	7-	1	15	30

ence, operating thus far at 80 percent efficiency. This weakness plays right into Notre Dame's hands, as they come in with the league's top power play unit at 29.7 percent.

Saturday night on Joyce Center ice, Notre Dame will play host to last year's national champions, the Michigan Wolverines. Last season, these two teams saw plenty of each other, as they not only met three times in the regular season (in conference play), but also three times in the first round of the CCHA playoffs in Ann Arbor. Michigan totaled five wins in the six games, two of which included their share of controversy. In fact, Michigan has won 29 of the last 31 meetings with the Irish. The last time the Irish defeated the Wolverines at the Joyce Center was a 6-3 decision on Feb. 25, 1995.

With all the recent history between the two programs, one might think this Saturday's match-up might be a grudge match of some kind. Not so, says coach Poulin.

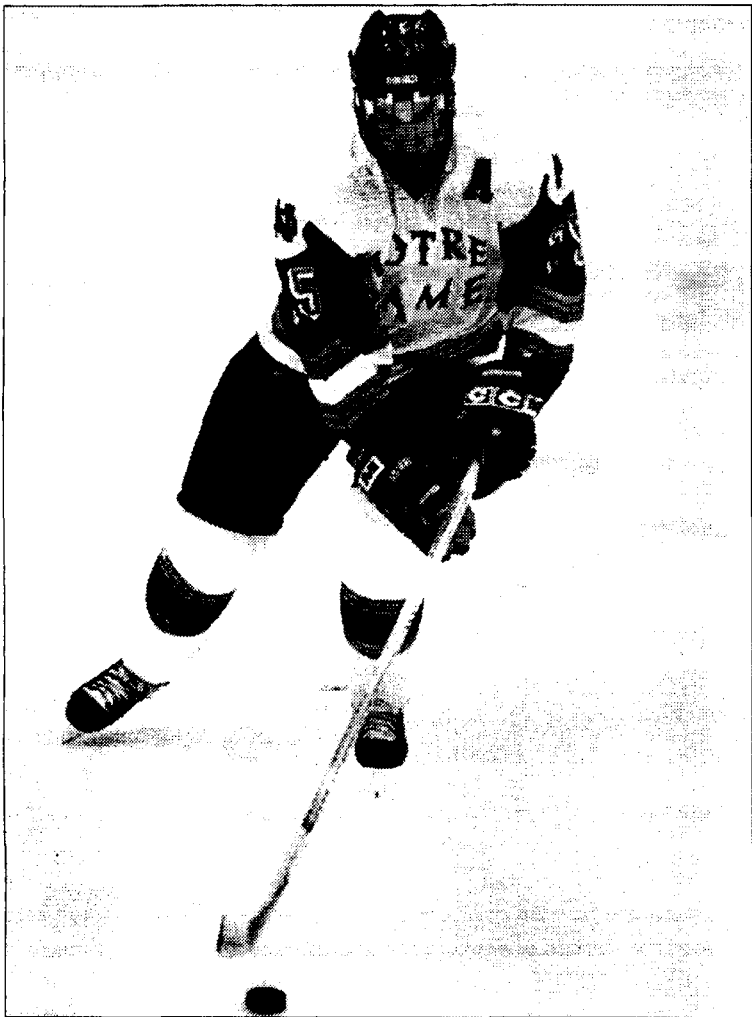
"What happened last March made us look forward to this season, but not specifically to playing Michigan."

"No one forgets things like that," said Simon, "but I don't think we're specifically geared up for anything in practice. We're just going to play our game and take it to them."

This Saturday's game is interesting not only in terms of the conference standings, but because Notre Dame comes in ranked one place higher in the national polls than the defending national champion Wolverines. But, says Simon, "I don't think the rankings mean anything right now [this early in the season]."

Michigan, like almost all CCHA teams, comes in with a good combination of size and speed. Players like senior captain Bubba Berenzweig play a strong, physical game on defense while forwards like senior Bobby Hayes provide the offensive game. Said Simon of the team's all around capabilities, "They're big, but they're also fast and quick."

The Wolverines lost two key members of last year's championship team, goaltender Marty Turco and right wing Bill Muckalt. Turco led the team to four straight NCAA semifinal appearances, including national championships in 1996 and 1998. He also holds the NCAA record for wins by a goaltender with 125 for his career. Muckalt led the team and the conference last season in points (32-35-67), and finished second in the conference with 32 goals.



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Senior defenseman Benoit Contoir tied his career high with three assists in Notre Dame's 4-3 victory last Saturday. The Irish will count on similar support to hold their place atop the CCHA.

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Haney's performance adds depth to an already solid Irish bench. McGraw will count on the fresh players off the bench to offset the strong starting lineups that Notre Dame will encounter as the season gets underway. UCLA will tip-off boasting an unmatched one-two punch with all-American candidates Maylana Martin (forward) and point guard Erica Gomez.

"They pose a lot of problems for us because they have a very good center in all-American Maylana Martin," said McGraw. "And they have good shooters on the wing who are both good three-point shooters."

The starting five includes center Janae Hubbard and forward Marie Philman, who round out the four returning starters.

Notre Dame will be counting on a bench that has already suffered injuries to help the Irish pull off their 400th win in school history against UCLA. Junior forward Julie Henderson did not play in either preseason game with a sore Achilles ankle while freshman Sherisha Hills missed making her first appearance after suffering a concussion. The 5-foot-8 Hills collided with

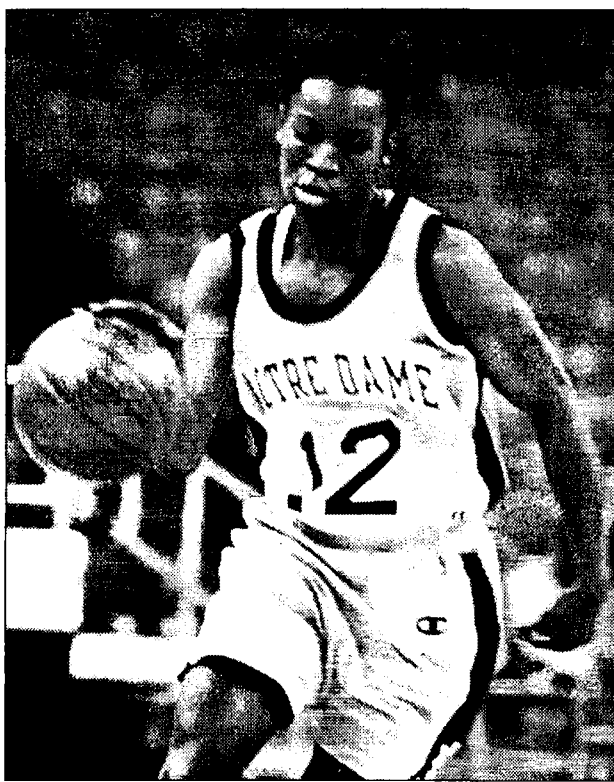
Danielle Green in pregame warm-ups against Visby-Sweden.

The starting five has also had its share of injuries, but not as bad as those suffered by the bench. Forward Kelley Siemon started Wednesday but saw limited playing time after recovering from a injury suffered in the preseason.

Despite the successes, the preseason finishes gave the Irish little to gain confidence over. The team's focus has been on the difficult regular season, especially its beginning stretch, to give them

the jump they want before the Big East season commences.

"We're focusing a little more on the big games, like UCLA and Duke," commented McMillen. "Now it's time to focus on UCLA and our top non-conference scheduling."



Danielle Green will start her senior year coming off a solid preseason, in which she grabbed 22 rebounds in two games.

McGraw signs stellar trio of top-100 seniors

Special to The Observer

Alicia Ratay, a 5-foot-11 guard from Lake Zurich, Ill., Amanda Barksdale, a 6-foot-3 forward from Friendswood, Tex., and 5-foot-9 guard Monique Hernandez from Rio Rancho, N.M. — all ranked among the top 100 seniors by Blue Star Basketball — have signed national letters of intent to join the University of Notre Dame women's basketball beginning in the fall of 1999.

"On paper, this is probably our best recruiting class ever," said Notre Dame head coach Muffet McGraw. "My staff did an outstanding job of identifying these players as the three that would be best suited for our program. We filled all of our needs and improved ourselves defensively. I'm extremely pleased with this class because all three players are going to come in here and contribute in a lot of different. They give us tremendous balance and depth both offensively and defensively."

Ratay, a member of the U.S. Youth World Games team which

captured the bronze medal this summer in Moscow, Russia, is rated eighth by Blue Star Basketball.

A three-year starter at Lake Zurich, Ratay averaged 22 points, 7 rebounds and 4 steals in leading her squad to a 30-3 record during the 1997-98 campaign and into the quarterfinals of the state championship. A first-team all-state selection and all-area honoree in 1998, she has been named to the all-Fox Valley Conference first-team in each of her three scholastic seasons while leading her team to three consecutive undefeated seasons in league play.

Ratay ranks second all-time in scoring at Lake Zurich with more than 1,500 points. She led her 1997 Illinois Hustle AAU squad to a sixth-place finish at the AAU Nationals.

"Alicia's experience playing internationally this summer cannot be underestimated," said McGraw. "I think it helped improve her overall game as well as helping her mature as a player. She is a great shooter, handles the ball extremely well and is a great passer."

Alicia is going to remind a lot of people of Beth Morgan [Notre Dame's all-time leading scorer who graduated in 1997] because she is such a pure shooter. I expect her to make a quick adjustment to the college game and come in and contribute immediately."

Barksdale is rated 41st in the Blue Star ratings. A two-year starter at Clear Brook, she netted 10.3 points, grabbed 9 rebounds and averaged 8.5 blocked shots in her junior season as she led her team to a 26-6 mark and into the regional quarterfinals, its farthest finish in school history.

Named Clear Brook Intermediate District MVP and a first-team all-district selection, she led the Houston area in blocked shots as a junior with 273. Barksdale has twice garnered league defensive MVP honors and also was the league's offensive MVP as a sophomore.

Barksdale, who has been a member of the Houston Hot Shots AAU team for the last three years, led her squad to the nationals after it took first in the regional tournament.

"Amanda is a great shot blocker," said McGraw. "She runs the floor very and is a very strong athletic and defensive player. Her shot-blocking presence, along with that of Ruth Riley, will help us tremendously on defense."

Hernandez, who averaged 16.7 points in her junior season at Cibola, is ranked among the top 30 guard nationally and is 98th overall by Blue Star Basketball. A three-time first-team all-city selection, Hernandez has garnered first-team all-state honors each of the last two seasons.

The leading scorer in the city, she ranks third all-time heading into her final season at Cibola with 952 career points. Hernandez holds the school record for three-pointers in a game (seven). In addition, she is second all-time with 454 rebounds and third in career assists (197) and steals (90).

"Monique's quickness and skills as a point guard will help us out immediately," said McGraw. "She is such a good athlete and versatile player. Monique is a strong ballhandler with excellent passing skills. She gives us great depth at the point guard position."

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■ VOLLEYBALL

Irish on the road for two to attempt Big East clinch

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Sports Writer

The goal for the Notre Dame netters this weekend is to win a Big East regular season title as they close out conference play with matches at Pittsburgh and West Virginia.

The Irish (12-11 overall, 8-1 Big East) are tied for the lead in the Big East with rivals Georgetown and Connecticut. They moved into a share of first place after handing the Georgetown Hoyas their first defeat in the conference last weekend.

Both of Notre Dame's weekend foes are 4-5 in the Big East. Georgetown will face Seton Hall (3-6) and Rutgers (5-4) to finish its conference schedule, while Connecticut takes on Providence (5-4) and Boston College (0-9). If any of the three conference leaders should end in a tie, they would each earn a share of the regular season title.

The top six conference teams will qualify for the Big East tournament Nov. 21-22, the winner of which receives an automatic bid for the NCAA tournament. Seeding in the Big East tournament will be determined by conference record, with ties determined by winning percentage in conference games. The top two teams will receive byes in the first round.

"We definitely want to win both matches so that we can secure the first place seed in the [Big East] tournament and get a bye in the first round of the tournament," said freshman outside hitter Marcie Bomhack. "Pittsburgh and West Virginia

are going to be fighting for a spot in the Big East tournament, so we need to go out there and play at a really high level."

The Irish face Pittsburgh tomorrow, a team which has had its share of ups and downs this weekend. The Panthers won their first four matches, then lost five straight, won six in a row and had another four-game losing streak. They are currently coming off a loss to Providence. If the Panthers fail to qualify for the Big East tournament, it will be the first time they have failed to do so under sixth year coach Cindy Alveal, as well as the first time in 17 years.

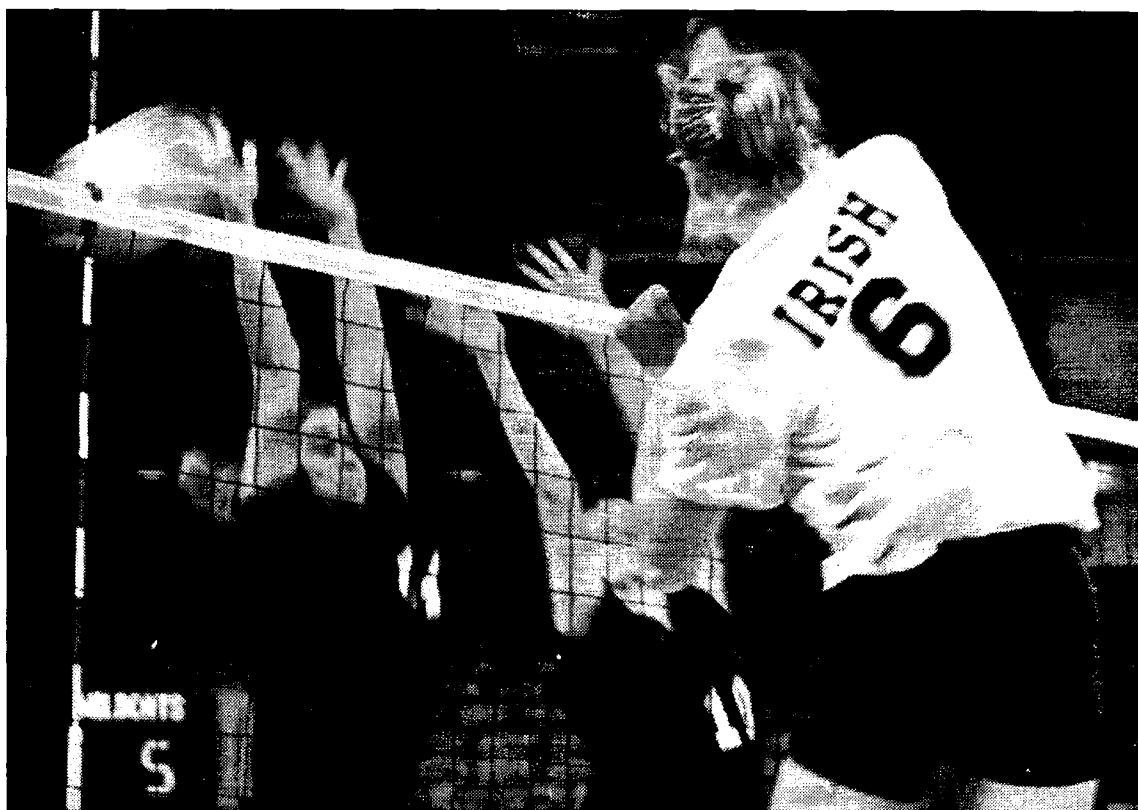
"I would have anticipated that they would have a little bit better record in the Big East," said Notre Dame head coach Debbie Brown. "I think they have some very athletic players and pretty solid all-around skills."

The Panthers are led in kills and attack attempts by sophomore outside hitter Marcia Thiesen. Fellow outside hitter Melissa Alpers sets the pace for Pittsburgh with 272 digs and 29 service aces, while middle blocker Jenna Birkel leads the team in hitting.

Pittsburgh has not defeated the Irish since 1990.

Notre Dame will face the West Virginia Mountaineers on Sunday, a team under the direction of 1997 Big East Coach of the Year Veronica Hammersmith, in her 24th season at the school. Although the Mountaineers return five of six starters from last season, their record stands at 11-14 on the year.

"I think Notre Dame is a pret-



Freshman outside hitter Marcie Bomhack has been a major contributor for the Irish this season. The Irish seek to secure a share of the Big East regular season title this weekend.

ty big team, so the challenge for us will be hitting against the bigger blockers that they have," said Hammersmith. "I think we have to serve tough. They have physically a pretty intimidating team."

West Virginia's top player is junior middle blocker Nikki Hardy, with 360 kills this season. The Irish have won the past four meetings between the two teams.

"They may be a little stronger in their backcourt defense, but I do think our hitting and block-

ing are a little bit stronger and, hopefully, that will be enough to help us win that match," said Brown.

Brown said that blocking and passing will again be key for the Irish. Notre Dame leads the Big East in blocking, and is also first in hitting in Big East matches. Senior Lindsay Treadwell and junior Mary Leffers are tops in blocking for the Irish, both at the middle blocker position.

Other projected starters for the Irish are sophomore outside hitters Christi Girton and Jo

Jameyson, setter Michelle Graham and junior opposite Emily Schiebout.

Girton has been a big factor in the recent success of the Irish, as she now leads the team in kills. Graham has taken the place of Denise Boylan the past few weeks, who is out with torn ligaments in her right elbow.

Following this weekend's matches, the Irish have one regular season match remaining, a non-conference clash with Toledo at home next Wednesday.

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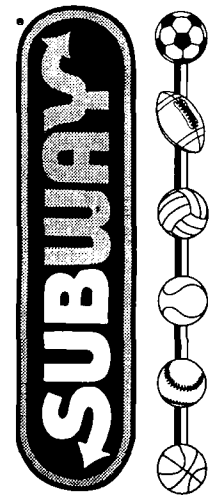
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already has 26 goals on the season, tying Cindy Daws' single season record. She is fifth nationally in goals per game and seventh in points per game, while her teammate Makinen ranks one spot behind her in points per game. Makinen is also third in the country with 0.89 assists per game and co-captain Jen Grubb is fourth, averaging 0.86 assists per

game. Big East defensive player of the year, Grubb also anchors the Irish defense which is seventh in the country, allowing just 0.58 goals per game. Big East goalkeeper of the year LaKeysia Beene has been solid in goal all season and is ninth in the nation with a 0.63 goals against average.

Notre Dame currently holds a 35-game winning streak and a 37-game winning streak against Big Ten opponents and a 41-game winning streak at Alumni Field. Michigan is sure to have its hands full when they take on the Irish this weekend.

■ MEN'S SOCCER

Irish trio score Big East season accolades

Special to the Observer

Freshman Shane Walton, who led the Irish in scoring with 10 goals and seven assists in 1998, was a unanimous selection to the Big East All-Rookie Team. The announcement came at the 17th annual Big East men's soccer banquet held in Piscataway, N.J.

Walton, along with senior goalkeeper Greg Velho and junior defender Matt McNew were also named to the All-Big East Second Team. Walton and forward Gregory Strohman of Seton Hall were the only freshmen chosen to the second team, while Chris Gbandi of Connecticut, who earned Big East Rookie of the Year honors, was selected to the all-conference first-team.

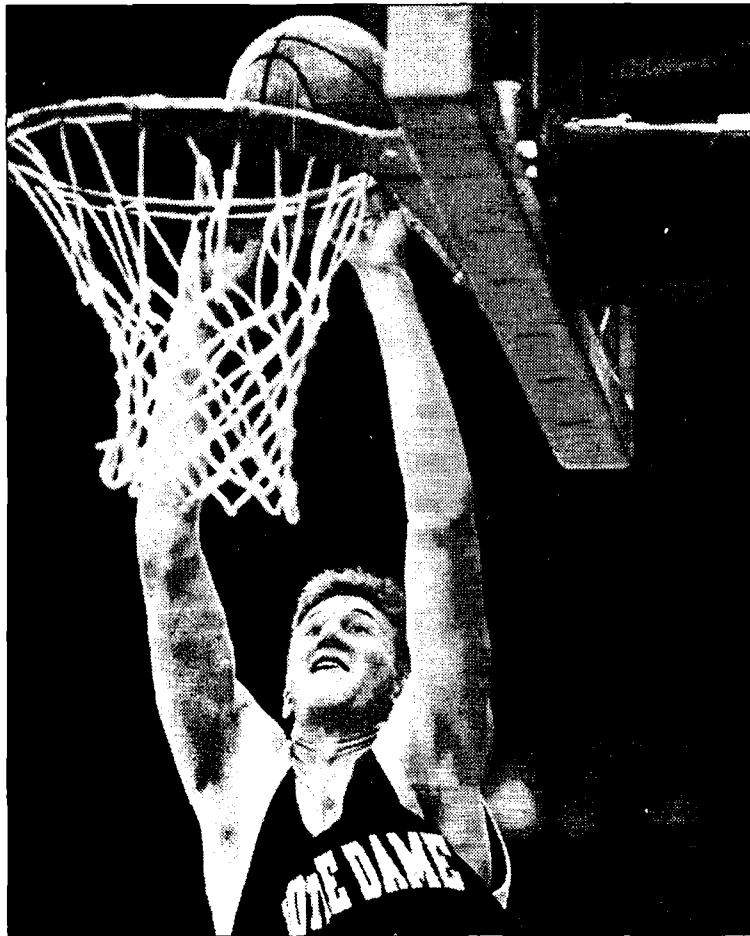
Velho, who was named the Most Outstanding Player of the 1996 Big East Men's Soccer Championship after leading the Irish to their first-ever tournament crown, earns all-conference honors for the first time in

his career.

Velho, who closed out his Notre Dame career as the school's all-time saves leader with 311 and had 26 shutouts during his four-year career, played every minute of every game for the Irish over the last 50 outings. He registered a 1.04 goals against average this season with a .808 save percentage, making 84 saves.

McNew, who is also making his first appearance on an all-conference team, was one of seven players to start all 18 games. He scored a goal and dished off two assists, and was instrumental in helping the Irish post five shutouts during the season.

Notre Dame finished the season with a 9-6-3 mark in 1998 and earned a berth in the Big East Men's Soccer Championship after finishing the regular season with a 5-4-2 league record. The Irish were eliminated by St. John's in quarterfinals 2-0 in a game played in Jamaica, N.Y. last Saturday.



The Observer/Kevin Dalum
Part of the strong freshman class, forward Troy Murphy has already shown his offensive aggressiveness, especially in key moments.

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out on the fast break. But the first thing we are going to do is have to get the ball on the defensive rebounds," said MacLeod.

Notre Dame has unveiled a full-court pressure defense on their made free-throws. Designed to take advantage of the Irish's guard depth, its effectiveness will be determined when it counts for the first time tonight. Both point guards, sophomore Martin Ingelsby and junior Jimmy Dillon, also showed an ability to pressure the opposing point guard in the preseason games.

"One of the most improved players on our team this year should be Jimmy," said MacLeod. "We [also] want Martin to be more productive offensively. He needs to shoot the ball more."

With Ingelsby and Dillon, point guard is the most durable position on the Irish roster.

Other players who will have an effect off the bench for Notre Dame will be sophomore forward Leviticus Williamson, junior forwards Skylard Owens

and Todd Palmer and senior forward Dennis Carroll. Notre Dame has little height on its roster, the ability of these players to "play big" will be crucial.

Miami of Ohio is a stern first-game test for Notre Dame. The Redhawks, coached by second-year man Charlie Coles, are one of the best teams in the MAC Conference. Damon Frierson who averaged 18.8 points last season and Wally Szczerbiak (24 ppg) are the top players on a team looking to improve on their 17-12 record of a year ago. Szczerbiak has popped up on some preseason all-America teams and Frierson will test Graves head-to-head at the two-spot.

"Miami is a great basketball team. This is one of the most difficult opening games since I've been here," said MacLeod.

The freshman will be tested immediately and the veterans will need to provide guidance for the Irish tonight. If Notre Dame can force Miami into an up-tempo game they might just have enough scoring punch to take control. For once, Notre Dame has some untapped talent. Tonight will be the first step toward molding that talent into a top-notch basketball team.

■ SOFTBALL

Miller signs high school stars

Special to the Observer

Notre Dame head softball coach Liz Miller announced the signings today of four high school seniors to national letters of intent. Shortstop Andria Bledsoe, infielder Andrea Loman, middle infielder Alexis Madrid and first baseman/catcher Lisa Mattison will make up Notre Dame's class of 2003.

"We're very excited about this class," Miller said. "I think it's one of the top recruiting classes we've ever had."

Bledsoe earned all-conference honors a year ago while batting .406 for Highland High School in Gilbert, Ariz. She also plays with L'il Saints during the summer travel season and earned the team's Golden Glove award for defense in 1997.

"We recruited Andria for her defense as a middle infielder," Miller said. "She has great hands and expect her to see time at shortstop next year."

Loman was recently named a 1998 Amateur Softball Association (ASA) All-American while playing for the Southern California Athletics. She also was a member of the 12-and-under ASA national championship team and the 14-and-under national runner-up. At Poly High School, Loman was an all-California Interscholastic Federation (CIF), all-county and all-league selection.

"Andrea is a strong, physical athlete," Miller says. "She's still a raw talent, who we believe is going to get better and better every year."

Madrid, another 1998 ASA All-American, is a two-time first-team all-league selection at shortstop for Temecula Valley High School.

"Alexis will contribute a lot of speed to our lineup," Miller said. "We really needed to add that element (speed) to our lineup and she's also a great middle infielder."

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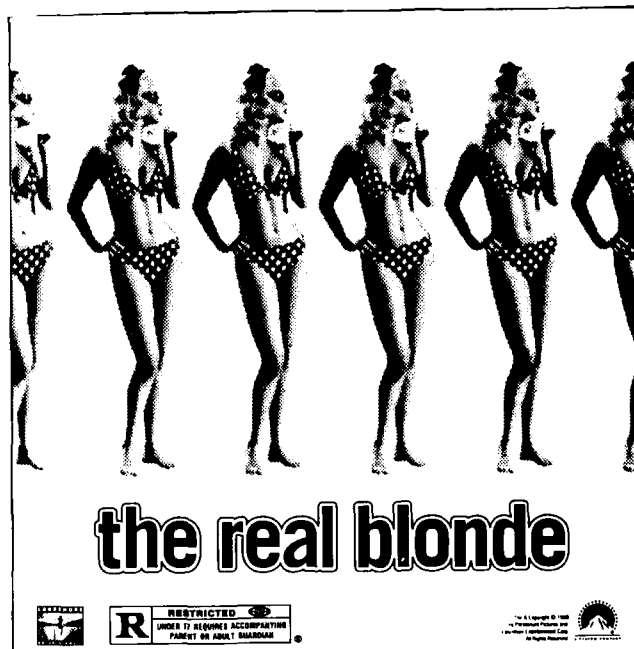
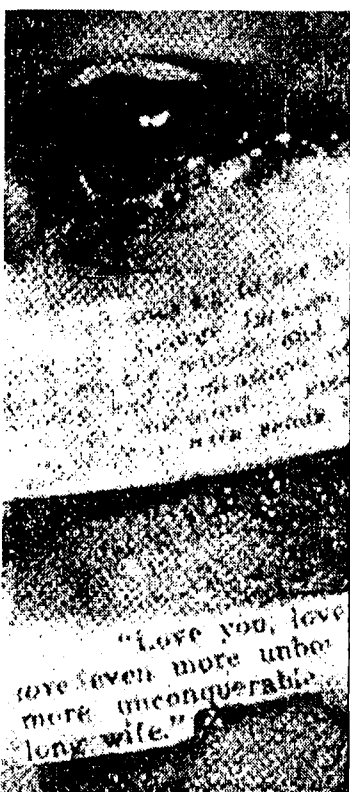
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■ CROSS COUNTRY

Harriers race in last chance for champs

By ALAN WASIELEWSKI
Sports Writer

The cross country season is drawing to a close and the District IV meet on Saturday in Terre Haute, Ind., will be the last opportunity the Notre Dame runners will have to impress the NCAA Championship selection committee. Terre Haute is the last guaranteed event on the schedule; only a peak performance by the Irish will allow their season to continue.

On the women's side, the goal of finishing in the top three is of paramount importance. A top-three finish in one of the best districts in the country would solidify the invitation to the NCAA Championships Nov. 23 in Lawrence, Kan.

Head women's coach Tim Connelly knows that finishing fourth means and end to the season.

"If we finish third, I really believe we have a realistic shot of getting an invitation. This team can do it. Thirteen spots is a lot of invitations to fill," Connelly said.

The "13 spots" refers to the expanded field of teams the NCAA is inviting to the Championships. In previous years there were only six at-large bids available to non-automatic qualifiers, but this year that number has been increased to 13. Only a first or second finish in the district meet earns an automatic invitation.

The women have their sights set on third place because two of the top teams in the country will be on the course with them Saturday. Michigan is ranked third in the country while Wisconsin is eighth. Barring a serious off-day by the Wolverines or Badgers, they should battle for the District crown.

Third place is up in the air and will be a battle between Bowling Green and the Irish. Notre Dame has faced Bowling Green twice this year, but the last race the margin of victory was only 13 points.

"We have steadily improved all year. Bowling Green really took it to us the first time but the next race we were right with them. We will have to recognize where their runners are in the course and just to out and try to beat them," Connelly explained.

Expect the Irish to be led by JoAnna Deeter. Pushing for all-America status and already a member of the all-Big East

team, Deeter has four wins in five starts.

"JoAnna is in great shape. It is nice to know that you don't even have to count her place because she is going to be in the top three," Connelly said.

Former all-American Alison Klemmer will look to repeat her top-15 performance in the Districts from a year ago. Klemmer was slowed by an injury early in the season and has yet to run an excellent race. Patti Rice will also be among the top Irish runners, she has finished second on the team in all of the races this season.

"Now is not the time to hold anything back," Connelly said. "We have the ability to get the job done. We just need to go out and run like I know we can."

The 21st-ranked men's team will also need a good showing at the Districts but their situation is not as serious as the women. The Irish have already beat some teams who will earn automatic bids to the NCAA Championship and just need a solid run on Saturday to make the trip to Kansas.

"We can't enter into this lightly," men's coach Joe Piane said. "If we continue to run like we are capable of, we should finish in the top four and earn an invitation."

The top four will not be a certainty for the Irish. Michigan (ranked seventh) and Michigan State (ranked 10th) are just a sampling of some of the top teams in District IV. The Irish are also coming off of a sub-par showing at the Big East Championships.

The Irish will need the veteran leadership of seniors Antonio Arce and Ryan Maxwell to run the kind of races they are capable of. Both Arce and Maxwell had poor runs at the Big East finishing out of the top four on the team for the first time this season. Arce and Maxwell finished 10th and 21st, respectively, at the District meet in 1997.

The uncharacteristic showing of Maxwell and Arce at the Big East Championships allowed Tim Englehardt and Luke Watson to make their best runs of the season. Watson, a freshman, will be participating in his first district meet while Englehardt has steadily improved throughout the year. Ryan Shay, the top Irish runner, should continue his drive toward all-American status.

"Our fourth and fifth place guys have really improved their times. We are right where we want to be," Piane said.

■ IRISH INSIGHT

Football at its finest

By TED FOX
Sports Writer

"It's not just football, it's Notre Dame football." As most of you probably know, this is Adidas' catch phrase to describe our legendary pigskin tradition. It's supposed to make you stop and think just how special Notre Dame football is.

And I believe it does. Hidden away from the national spotlight, even from the campus spotlight, lies a more fundamental source of gridiron greatness.

No, I'm not talking about interhall football. After all, everyone around here knows about that, and it is a close approximation, at least in style, of the games we file into the stadium to see on Saturdays. The final game is even in the stadium, so interhall has made it to the big time, relatively speaking of course.

Well, if it's not the varsity program or its interhall cousin, what could this football treasure be? Unless you've played it, you probably don't know the answer.

It's section football, with the battle lines drawn within the confines of one dorm.

This is the kind of football you used to play back home in your neighbor's yard when the driveway was one end zone and the flower bed was the sideline.

There aren't 11 guys on a side running around in pads

and helmets with fine-tuned plays and defensive sets.

There are six or seven guys running around with no special equipment, except that pair of running shoes they should have thrown out last year, acting as if they have finely-tuned plays and defensive sets.

Disputes don't end with referees, because there are none to be found. They end with "liberal discussion" and the ever popular "re-do" option to satisfy the two sides.

Apparently the announcers' microphones have been permanently turned off because the only commentary you hear is the receiver who just beat the safety for a touchdown, letting the defender know how bad he made him look.

There's plenty of seating for a crowd to come and cheer, but for some reason, the crowd never seems to show up. That's okay, though. The players don't seem to notice.

There are some striking similarities between these games and the ones everyone else cares about, however.

Both feature guys whose competitive drive won't let them give up, no matter what the score is.

Both have legends that the older guys talk about, the younger guys hear about, and everyone tries to emulate.

Both boast the incredible plays that no human should be able to make, and whether by skill, or more often (at least in the case of section

ball) by chance, you know you'll never forget them or see the same thing again.

And if this doesn't get you, at least they both feature a football and the forward pass. That's something.

Whatever the case may be, section football, contested by people who know this is their only remaining shot at football glory, is as important of a game as you will find on this campus.

For every one of us who knows that we will never run out of that tunnel onto the field of dreams, this is the game that takes you back to the days of your youth when you played until it got too dark to see. The days when the ball would fly over a fence into someone's pool and you had to go ring the doorbell and ask them to fish it out with the net. Or the time you guided your team, which was comprised of a quarterback and two receivers, down a 50-yard field across an imaginary goal line marked by a hat to score the winning touchdown in a game that meant the world to you even though no one but the guys on the field saw it.

Sadly, these battles will always go unrecognized. But I guess that's what makes them so special.

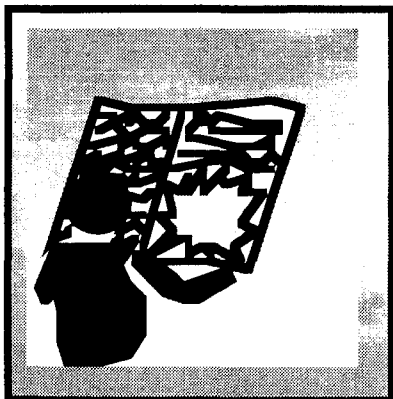
And so, for anyone who can identify with this, I offer this additional phrase to Adidas, one which will never make it off this page but a lot of us can appreciate: "It's not just football, it's section football."

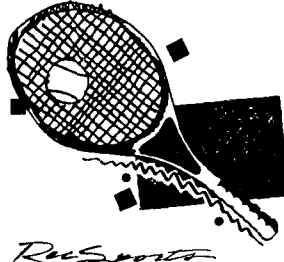
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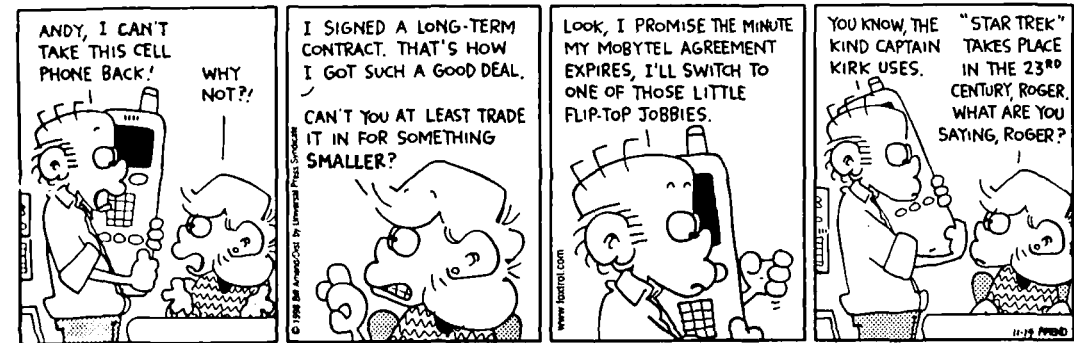
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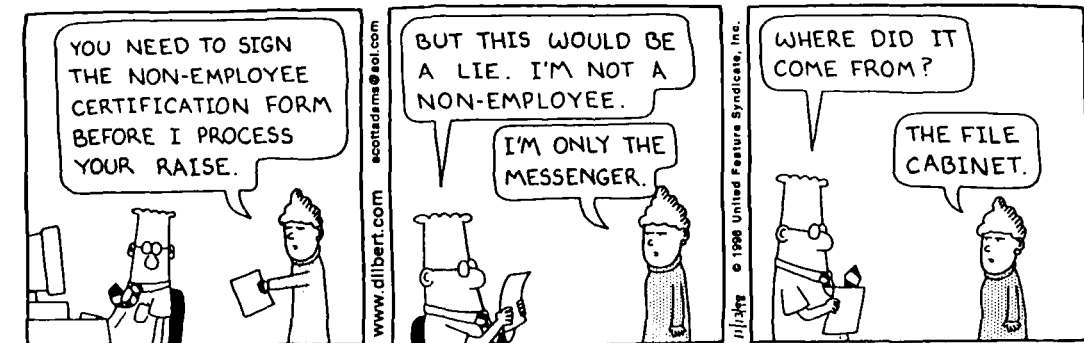
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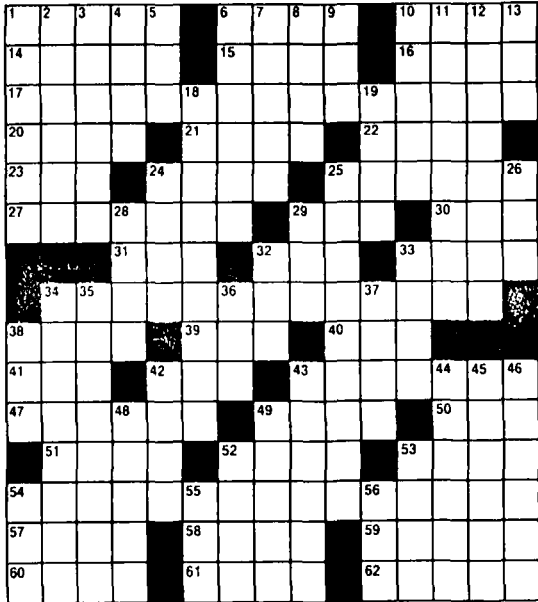


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- ACROSS**
- 1 Prop up
 - 6 Goddess pictured in Egyptian tombs
 - 10 Fraud
 - 14 Old autos
 - 15 Short letter
 - 16 Patriot Nathan
 - 17 Feeling really good
 - 20 Get-out-of-jail money
 - 21 Hors d'oeuvre spread
 - 22 Song for Aida
 - 23 Chomped down
 - 24 "___ cost to you!"
 - 25 Novelist Waugh
 - 27 Batter's goal
 - 29 Frigid
 - 30 "Turandot" slave girl
 - 31 Moon-landing vehicle
 - 32 ___ de Triomphe
 - 33 "I ___ Grow Up" ("Peter Pan" song)
 - 34 Heads of state get-together
 - 38 "It can't be!"
 - 39 Be in session
 - 40 Nothing
 - 41 Peas' holder
 - 42 Pennies: Abbr.
 - 43 Creeks
 - 47 Storm warnings at sea
 - 49 Clinton's #2
 - 50 Wrestler's place
 - 51 Site for a swing
- DOWN**
- 1 Thick-trunked tropical tree
 - 2 Italian soprano
 - 3 Clarinetist Shaw and others
 - 4 Refrigerate
 - 5 One of Kreskin's claims
 - 6 Wee one
 - 7 ___ voce (almost in a whisper)
 - 8 Spillane's "___ Jury"
 - 9 Visualize
 - 10 Beach
 - 11 Set of bells
 - 12 Relieving
 - 13 Club ___
 - 18 They expect the best
 - 19 Undulating
 - 24 "Um, excuse me"
 - 52 Rikki-tikki-___ (Kipling mongoose)
 - 53 Capable of
 - 54 Little that's visible
 - 57 Poker call
 - 58 Mending site
 - 59 Louis XIV, 1643-1715
 - 60 Hawaii's state bird
 - 61 Remove from office
 - 62 Dunne of "I Remember Mama"

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- 25 Like a three-dollar-bill
 - 26 Cashew, e.g.
 - 28 "Tickle me" doll
 - 29 Anger
 - 32 Quantity: Abbr.
 - 33 Sly trick
 - 34 Cable channel
 - 35 Support
 - 36 "___ the season..."
 - 37 Radial, e.g.
 - 38 Photo ___ (media events)
 - 42 Musical sign
 - 43 Bygone Russian group
 - 44 Electrical unit
 - 45 Female attendant
 - 46 Cheap cigar
 - 48 Sierra ___
 - 49 Scottish Celts
 - 52 10 C-notes
 - 53 Opposite of unter, in German
 - 54 Can's composition
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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Richard Mulligan, Whoopi Goldberg, Garry Marshall, Robert Louis Stevenson

Happy Birthday: Don't forget to smell the roses. You've been putting way too much pressure on yourself and it's time to accept some rewards. Take a moment to review all that you've accomplished before you put unreasonable demands on yourself again. If you allow others to lean on you because you are so self-sufficient, you will begin to feel used instead of needed. Your numbers: 6, 12, 21, 30, 39, 48

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Clear up legal documentation regarding investments. Make your social arrangements early in the day. Difficulties with co-workers will prevail if you aren't considerate. ○○○

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Travel should be on your agenda. Visit friends or relatives that you rarely see. Take time to deal with the concerns of children. It's a good day to make conservative investments. ○○○

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Your ideas pertaining to rearranging your domestic scene will be ingenious; however some, members residing under the same roof may complain. Get an OK before you start anything. ○○

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Be original in your correspondence, especially when it involves someone you love. Take care of the needs of those that depend on you. Pleasure trips will be successful. ○○○○

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Talk to superiors about your unique ideas concerning work efficiency. Follow through on your creative hobbies. Do not purchase unnecessary luxury items. Don't lend possessions to friends. ○○○

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You will be uncertain about your personal life. Your attitudes and opinions are changing and re-evaluation is necessary. Don't allow your mate to put added responsibilities on your plate. ○○○

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You can redecorate, renovate or make residential moves with ease. Entertaining in your home will also prove to be successful. Visit or talk to friends who have not been well. ○○○

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Get involved in humanitarian groups. Your original ideas can earn you cash. Don't overreact to situations that aren't clear. Take a good look at your personal papers. ○○○○

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't be afraid to put your cash on the table. Lady luck is on your side and financial gains can be made. If you put your ideas into play, you'll finally be able to do your own thing. ○○

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Make travel arrangements that will be conducive to business as well as pleasure. Take your mate and make an honest attempt to revitalize the relationship. Open and honest communication will help solve the dilemmas you face. ○○○○

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your creative talent will prove to be lucrative. You are exceptional at presenting your ideas. Help regarding your goals is likely and profits will surely follow. ○○○

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Romance will be yours if you attend organizational functions or club action. You will be viewed as a sensitive, compassionate individual and others will ask you for advice. ○○○

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Center for Social Concerns — The spring edition of the booklet, "Social Concerns Courses with Experiential, Service-Learning, and Community-Based Learning" is now available for all interested students and faculty at the Center for Social Concerns and at the offices of Campus Ministry.

College of Arts and Letters — Dean Roche of the College of Arts and Letters cordially invites all Arts and Letters students and prospective students to attend an open forum on Wed., Nov. 18, at 7:30 p.m. in the LaFortune Ballroom. Questions will be answered and refreshments will be served.

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■ WOMEN'S SOCCER

Michigan first test in Irish road to championship

By BRIAN KESSLER
Assistant Sports Editor

Last Sunday, it was the luck of the Irish. Or perhaps it was the luck of the Finnish. Finland native Anne Makinen provided the only scoring 81 minutes into the contest, as Notre Dame went on to beat Connecticut and claim its fourth-consecutive Big East title.

The Irish will now ride that momentum into NCAA tournament play.

"I think we're definitely playing our best soccer of the year," senior co-captain Shannon Boxx said following the win over Connecticut. "We're peaking at just the right time. We still have more work to do, but that's perfect because we're going right into playoffs."

"Our confidence level is probably the best it's been all year," junior Jenny Heft said. "We're coming off the Big East where we played really well."

The fourth-seeded Irish had a bye in the first round and will take on No. 18 Michigan this Sunday at 1 p.m. on Alumni Field. Michigan was a 4-2 winner over Xavier in Wednesday night's first round action.

This will be the second meeting between the Irish and the Wolverines this season. The Irish came away 1-0 winners in the previous game. Heft beat Michigan goaltender Carissa Stewart for the game-winner and the Irish walked away with a narrow victory, despite outshooting the Wolverines 23-5.

"The first time we played Michigan, we weren't playing very well," Heft said. "Since then we've really come together and solved a lot of the problems we had early on."

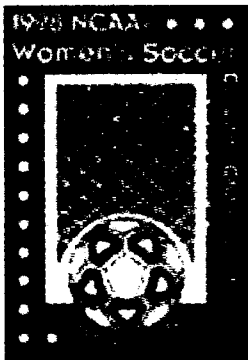
Notre Dame is no stranger to the NCAA's. This will be the sixth consecutive Irish NCAA appearance. In the previous five tournaments, the Irish have boasted a 14-4 record and have advanced to the semifinals each of the last four years. Notre Dame claimed its first ever National Championship in 1995.

The Irish are ready to make another NCAA run this year.

"We're definitely taking it one game at a time," Heft said. "If you loose one game your out and we know that."

Notre Dame enters the Michigan game with the nation's highest scoring offense, averaging 4.23 goals per game. Heft leads the way, as she

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The Observer/Jeff Shu
Entering the Big East semifinal match against Syracuse last weekend, freshman Mia Sarkesian managed to get a shot off in the Irish win.

■ WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish open season on Bruins

No. 17 Irish take to the court with matchup against No. 6 UCLA

By ANTHONY BIANCO
Assistant Sports Editor

Coach Muffet McGraw's squad will start this season right where it left off last year — squaring off against some of the nation's best.

Coming off of its second consecutive appearance in the NCAA Sweet 16 last year, the Irish will begin this season with their highest ever rankings, 17th by the Associated Press and 19th by USA Today/ESPN. They will begin their journey this Saturday against the team that the Irish faced in their first ever trip to the NCAA tournament in 1992, UCLA.

The Bruins are just the first of four teams on the

early Notre Dame schedule that are all ranked in the top 25. Next Saturday, the Irish play No. 4 Duke, then No. 25 Illinois three days later. The advantage for the Irish is that they will play all three of these games at the Joyce Center.

The last meeting between these two teams was one neither team will soon forget. Meeting in Los Angeles, Calif., the squads played to double overtime before the Irish came away with a two-point 93-91 victory. The extra time allowed Irish guard Sheila McMillen to amass her highest-ever point total in a single game with 29 points. The loss set the Bruins back as they opened their season at 0-3.

"I know it went down to the wire last year, into double overtime," commented McMillen. "I'm sure they're going to come here looking for some revenge. It'll be a tough game the whole way through. It's not going to be anything like the exhibition games [we started this season out with]."

McMillen and the rest of the team has gone from dogging the opposition to underdog as the season opens after their excellent showing in two exhibition games. Against Visby-Sweden, it was again McMillen who got the job done. Her game-high 27 points came with nine three-pointers as Notre Dame routed the visitors 111-82. Ruth Riley and Danielle Green also returned to the hardwood with strong play, netting double figures in points, 19 and 17, respectively, and grabbing 13 rebounds apiece. Niele Ivey registered a double-double of her own, adding 18 points and assisting on 15 others.

Freshman Ericka Haney came off the bench in both preseason contests to give the squad its newest threat. She scored 11 in her first collegiate appearance against the Swedish team before her game exploded a week later. In last Wednesday's 88-37 stoning of Tallinn Kayaba Estonia, she totaled 30 minutes on the court despite coming off of the bench to lead the team with 19. But it was her drive off the boards that really lifted some heads as the 6-foot-1 forward totaled 13.

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The Observer/Jeff Hsu
Captain Sheila McMillen will lead the Irish in their opener Saturday in what appears to be a very promising season.

■ MEN'S BASKETBALL

Men's hoops hope Miami gives answers

ALAN WASIELEWSKI
Sports Writer

Notre Dame's basketball team has many questions to answer when they face Miami of Ohio tonight in the Joyce Center.

Will the freshmen be overwhelmed in their first college start? Will Phil Hickey be able to avoid foul trouble with the lack of size on the bench? Will the new up-tempo style work against quality opponents? Who will take over the scoring load that Pat Garrity carried for the past four years?

How these questions are answered will determine whether Notre Dame can surprise anyone in the Big East this year. Troy Murphy, David Graves and Harold Swanagan represent the best crop of young players to enter the program since Elmer Bennett, Daimon Sweet and LaPhonso Ellis in 1988-89. The ability of head coach John MacLeod to get the freshman playing early and playing well will determine where the basketball program is headed in the next few years.

Murphy, listed at 6-foot-9, will need to develop quickly for the Big East season but has proved in the preseason games that he will be a terror on the offensive glass. Murphy also has the ability to get to

the basket when points are needed.

At 6-foot-5, Graves gives the Irish a tall defensive presence at guard and has the green light to take off down the court on all defensive rebounds. 6-foot-6 Swanagan will need to develop into the force that provides the defensive rebounds on the Irish "bust-outs".

The freshmen are not the only talent on the Irish roster. Seniors Phil Hickey and Antoni Wyche provide veteran leadership on a team that will boast more depth than in recent years.

"I think instead of one player doing the bulk of the scoring, we will have different players lead us throughout the course of the season," explained MacLeod. "My hope is that we are going to have a balanced attack where two or three different people have the ability to make a shot at the end of the game, instead of one."

Hickey, along with sophomore Hans Rasmussen, will draw the duty of kick-starting the Irish fast break. One of the most glaring shortcomings of the Irish roster is the lack of big players. Hickey, Rasmussen and Murphy are the only players above 6-foot-8 on the roster.

"If we are going to be good, we are going to have to bust

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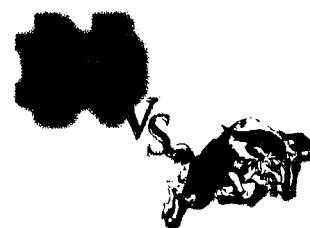


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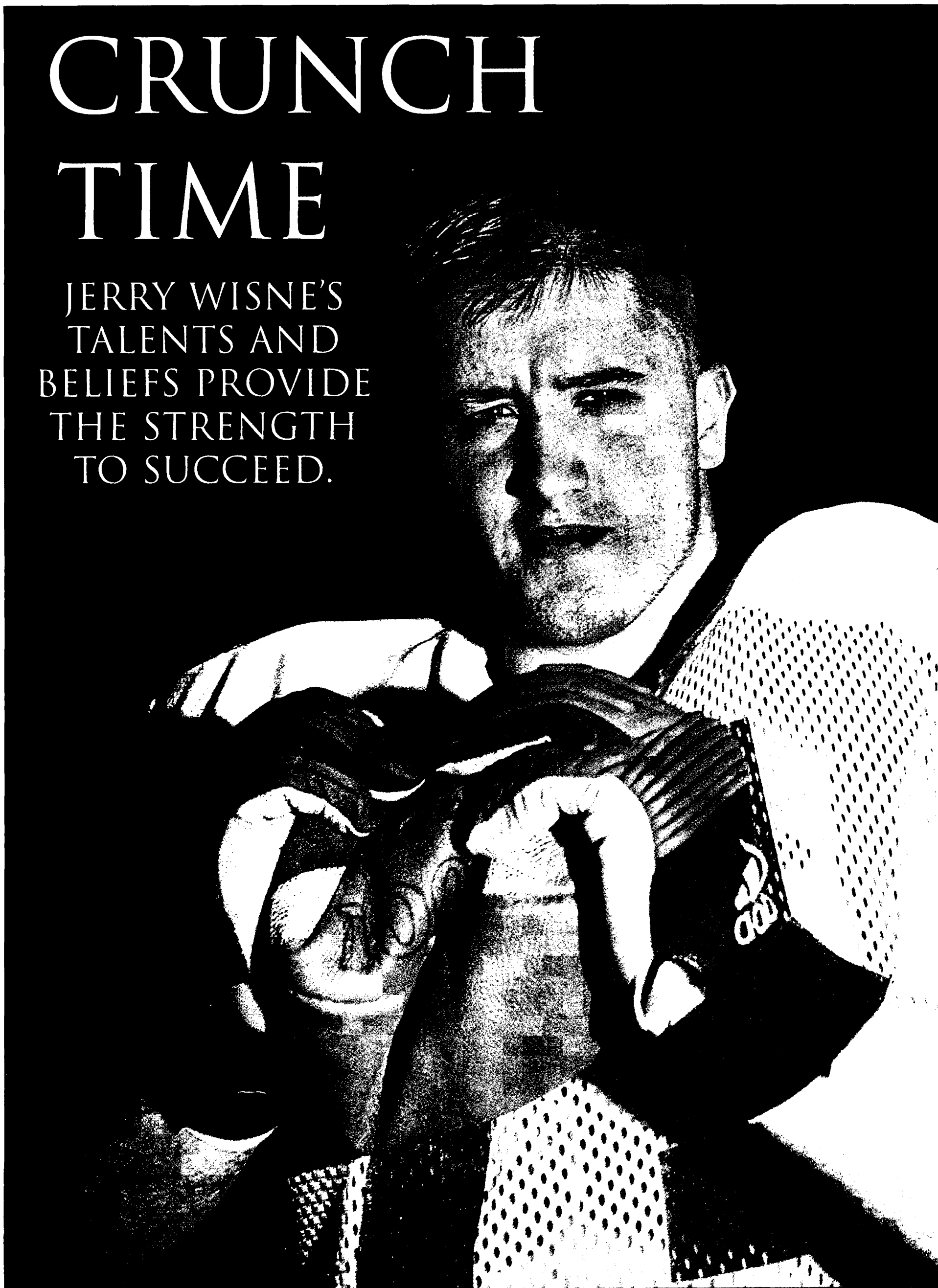
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ROAD TO THE '88 CHAMPIONSHIP

BUILDING A CHAMPION

Ismail rockets himself into national recognition

Freshman uses speed and agility to become kick-return specialist

By KATHLEEN LOPEZ
Sports Editor

Stepping on to a new campus, seeing all kinds of fresh faces and being on your own for the first time is overwhelming for any freshman.

Imagine adding on top of it the pressure of coming to play for one of the top programs in the nation and you will find yourself in the position which Rocket Ismail did back in 1988.

Rather than retract into the shadows, Ismail rose to the occasion.

While a majority of Ismail's fellow freshmen teammates found themselves on the practice squad, Ismail found himself thrust into game-play immediately.

Ismail was not unfamiliar with the spotlight which found him so quickly. He was a high school standout.

In fact, he got his notorious nickname, "Rocket," back in eighth grade when he ran track. Prior to the season, he clocked a 4.28 average on two runs on the first day of practice.

"My coach said I came out of the blocks like a rocket," Ismail recalled.

Speed definitely would be a word to describe his talents. Ismail's collegiate career thrived on speed. He used his power to accelerate past opposing team's coverage.

Coming into Notre Dame, Ismail was touted as a standout tailback in high school. He accounted for over 7,300 yards and 74 touchdowns in just 26 games at Meyers High School.

The Wilkes-Barre native reluctantly took the spot at split end. While he wanted to make a definite impact, Ismail feared the onslaught of

punishment that lay ahead.

"I thought, 'Oh no, not receiver,'" Ismail said.

Just past midpoint in the season, it became evident to Holtz and Co. that Ismail had let almost all his fears slip away. He had caught nine passes for 198 yards. Not to mention he snagged a 58-yard bomb from Tony Rice that cued the go-ahead touchdown in the Miami win.

His explosive speed truly became evident in Notre Dame's trouncing of Rice, 54-11. Ismail made Rice's defense look flat and lifeless. He ran back two kickoffs for touchdowns which solidified him as kick return threat.

"We work so hard at it in practice," Ismail said about his special teams work. "The coaches always tell us to play like we practice. We take special teams as another offensive play. It's one of the biggest plays in college football."

The two big returns against Rice of 83 and 87 yards catapulted Ismail to the top of the nation in kickoff returns. He averaged around 37 yards per return, leading his nearest competition by six.

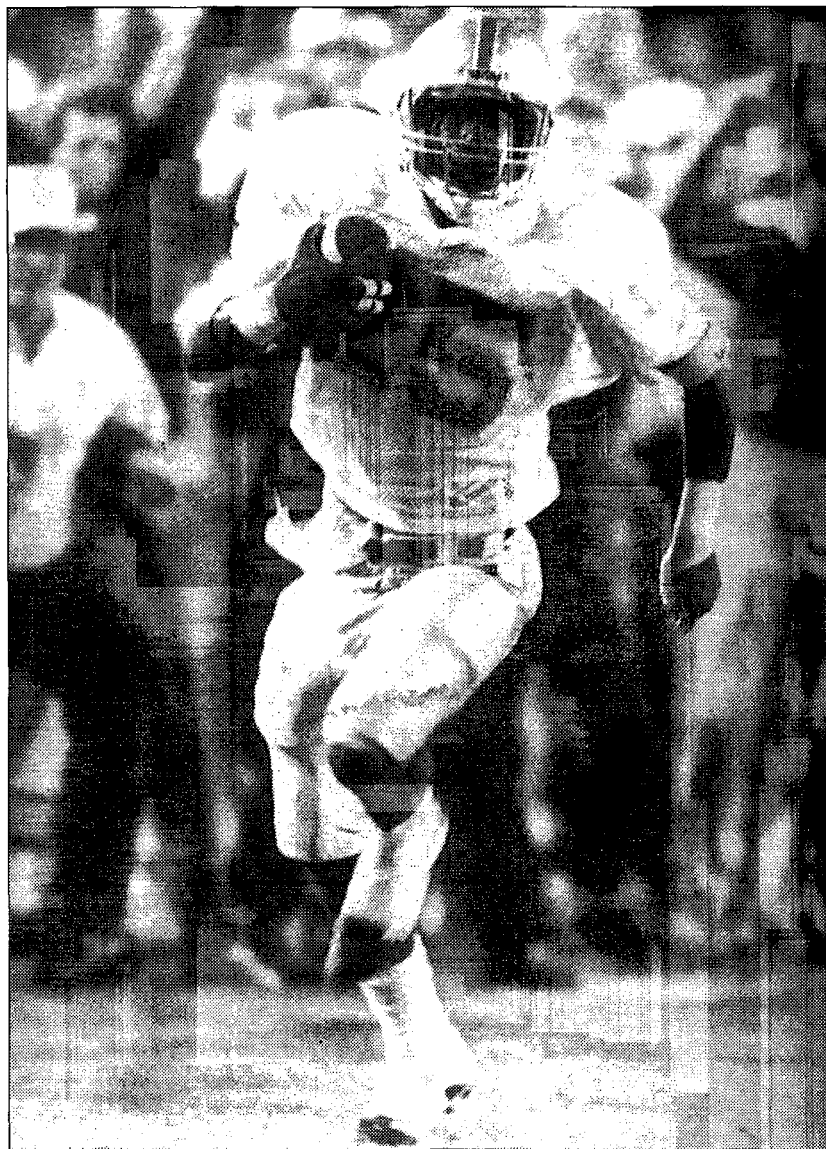
Not to mention his star efforts on the blocked field-goal attempt in the second game of the season against the Michigan State Spartans.

Switching from tailback to receiver provided Ismail with a challenge that he gladly accepted.

"There are a lot of little things that I knew nothing about when I was a running back," Ismail said. "It's like starting over again."

One thing was for sure for Notre Dame, and that was when it acquired its new star split end, it knew it wouldn't be starting over on offense for a long time.

Ismail anchored the Notre Dame special teams for four years. He used his speed and power to make his mark his freshman year and become one college football's biggest playmakers.



Courtesy of Notre Dame Sports Information
Split end Rocket Ismail established himself as a major playmaker, running back two kickoffs for touchdowns in the 54-11 win against Rice.



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By JACK GROSS

Sports Editor of The Capital

Notre Dame at Navy. Sort of. It's really Notre Dame vs. Navy at Jack Kent Cooke Stadium, and that is as strange a setting to the Midshipmen as to the Fighting Irish.

Still, this game will be as much of a home game as Navy ever gets against Notre Dame.

The game will kick off at 3:36 p.m. Saturday at the Raljon facility in Prince George's County. As many as 78,000 people will be in the stands and millions more will be watching on national television.

Every Navy coach has always looked forward to the game against Notre Dame, but the Mids have gone through seven head coaches without beating Notre Dame.

Yesterday, Charlie Weatherbie joined the last six coaches in saying that he isn't concerned with Navy's losing streak to Notre Dame, which has stretched to 34 games.

"All I know is that we haven't beaten Notre Dame since I've been here. The streak before that means nothing to me," Weatherbie said. "We didn't have anything to do with the games before we got here."

For the most part, the play-

ers think the same way, although they admit they would like to be on the team that finally beats Notre Dame.

That would be a noteworthy achievement this season since the Mids go into the game at 3-5, while Notre Dame is 7-1 and ranked No. 12 in the nation.

But, according to veteran offensive lineman J.D. Gainey, having this game being so much like a home game could be a factor in helping the Midshipmen.

"For one thing, this is a huge game for us because there is so much riding on it. A win would make it possible for us to have a winning season and that's something the members of this senior class really want," Gainey explained.

"We don't want it to seem like we were just riding on the coat tails of the two classes before us, we want to follow them with our own winning season," he said. "I also think this will be a fun game to play. It will let us know just how good we really are," Gainey said.

The burly offensive guard is looking forward to this game more than he has to the past Notre Dame games in which he has played.

His reasoning is sound.

"What should help us in this game is that it will be so much like a real home game for us. We won't have to go to Ireland or the Meadowlands," he explained.

"The brigade will be there just like they are

here in Annapolis. We'll have more of a pro Navy crowd with several thousand of our fans being there.

"And," Gainey added, "We'll follow the same routine as we do for all of our home games. We'll have the same practice schedule. We'll stay at the same hotel we do the night before our home games."

Gainey said yesterday that the players don't talk about the losing streak to Notre Dame and they try not to think about it.

"It is something that is in the backs of our minds. Beating Notre Dame, ending the streak, is definitely a goal, although it isn't one that we put down before our season starts," the realistic Gainey said.

One of the leaders of this senior class, Gainey said it's most important to convince the younger players on the team, and there is an unusually large number of them, that this is just another football game.

"If we can win this game it will be a giant step in getting Navy back where it belongs in regard to respect," Gainey said. "I think we've taken the first steps by having the back-to-back winning seasons. Beating Notre Dame would give a big lift in that area."

"Having seen the problems Notre Dame has had the last two weeks with Army and Boston College gives us some added confidence. It lets us know that Notre Dame is beatable," he said. "Because of how close we came to beating them last year, we have felt we had a good chance to win this year."

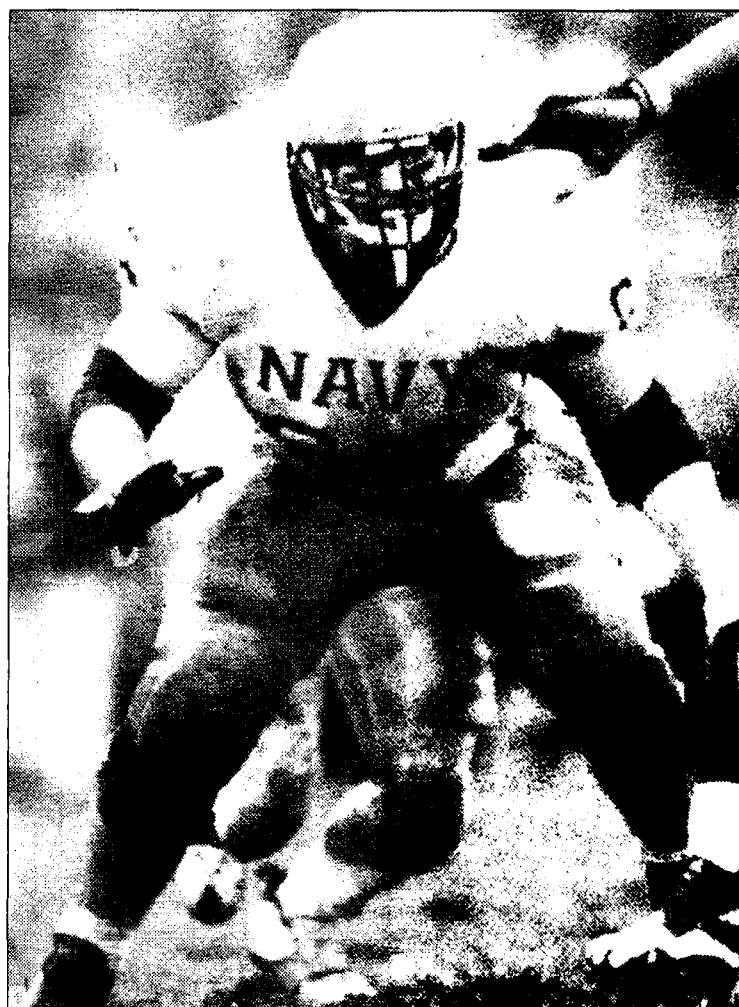


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Offensive lineman J.D. Gainey and his fellow midshipmen have tried to play down the Navy losing streak to Notre Dame which stands at 34.

After the past two weeks, we feel that way a little bit more.

"Coming as close as we did last year, despite the mistakes we made, the inadvertent whistles and some of the calls that didn't go our way was

more aggravating than frustrating," Gainey said.

"It was probably the best game I have played in and we came so close to winning. I think we can finally do it this year."

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THE EDGE



RECORD: 7-1
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Quarterbacks - Even



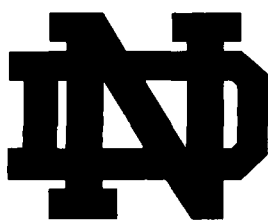
It'll be exciting to see Jackson continue to develop as he continues to impress and is starting to make more plays with his arm. If he can develop more consistency he'll make the Irish offense practically unstoppable when it's on. You know that Navy's quarterback will hurt with his legs, but Brian Broadwater can hurt you with his arm too. He has five touchdowns and completes over 50 percent of his passes. He also led come from behind losses in his first two starts against Colgate and Boston College and came up short against Rutgers.

Running Backs - ND



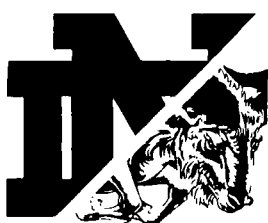
Autry Denson will be Notre Dame's all-time leading rusher probably by half time. He needs just 47 yards and he'll get the nod over the fullback tandem of Irv Dingle and Matt Hardin who are strong averaging over 5.4 yards a carry. It would be nice to see the Irish get the fullbacks back into the action carrying the ball.

Receivers - ND



Malcolm Johnson should be able to abuse the smallish Navy cornerbacks and could have another big day. Raki Nelson should also be more active now that he is fully healthy. Ryan Read has given Broadwater a weapon in the passing game. They don't go to him often but when they do it's usually for a big gainer, 24 yards a catch.

Offensive Line - Even



The Navy football team has look pretty comfortable on land. They lead the nation in rushing with 297 yards a contest. That has a lot to do with wishbone but it also has a lot to do with the boys up-front. Rosenthal, Wisne and Co. have yet to put in a game when they've dominated for 60 minutes.

Defensive Line - ND



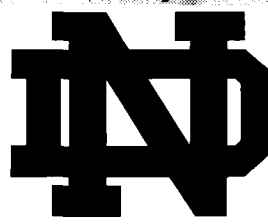
Notre Dame's lack of a dominate and consistent player keeps things even. Navy ranks 86th against the run but has a feisty competitor in Jason Snider. At 6-foot-2 and 259 pounds he isn't the most imposing force but he has six tackles for a loss, has broken up two passes, and even has an interception. But Navy gets geared up for the Irish. In two of Charlie Weatherbie's three seasons, Navy has held Notre Dame's ground attack to less than 166 yards rushing.

Linebackers - Even



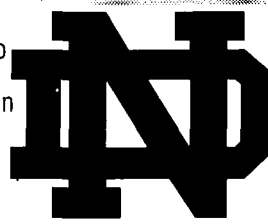
Bobbie Howard provides the rock upon which the defense is built. Maybe "The Stand" will give the defense some momentum. Grant Irons should be back and the combination with Lamont Bryant could produce results. Navy only uses two middle linebackers, Matt Daigneault and Brad Chatlos. Both have experience and will have their hands full in the middle.

Secondary - ND



Even though the Irish had a setback last week in giving up the big plays to the Eagles, Navy has those types of games every game. Navy should probably call in help from the Air Force to slow other team's aerial assaults, they give up 298 yards a game. Tony Driver is getting more comfortable. There's depth at the safety slot with Deke Cooper, A'Jani Sanders and Benny Guilbeaux. The return of Deveron Harper will help Notre Dame's cause.

Special Teams - ND



Tony Driver and the return game took a step in the right direction in Chestnut Hill and should continue to get better. Jim Sanson continues to connect. On the other side, place-kicker Tom Vanderhost has only connected on 3-of-7 from 20-39 yards out.

Coaching - ND

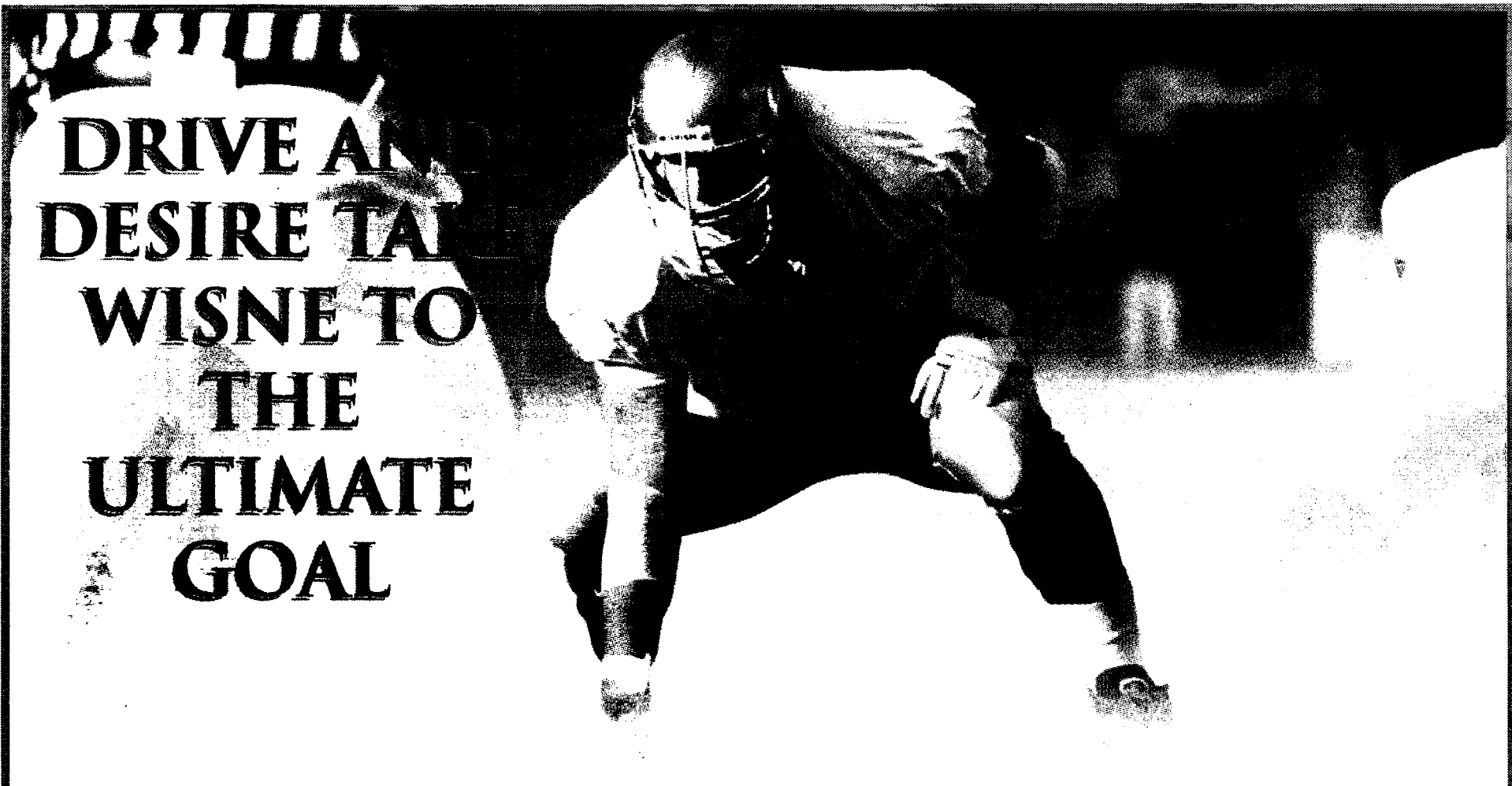


Charlie Weatherbie is a bright young coach, and there's no doubt his team will be ready to play. He's had as much success as any Navy coach as all of his teams have out-gained the Irish 411-332 and two of his squads had second-half leads. Bob Davie has always had his focus on the next game and has instilled that in his players.

Overall - ND



The Irish have been through quite a lot and know to not take anything for granted, and have too much at stake with a 7-1 record. They know how Navy will play, and they find a way to win. If the offense can put in a consistent, complete game, it could mean a long day for the Midshipmen.



DRIVE AND DESIRE TAKE WISNE TO THE ULTIMATE GOAL



Senior Jerry Wisne ranks second in career starts among the offensive linemen, behind Mike Rosenthal.

By ALLISON KRILLA
Associate Sports Editor

Not every person possesses the athletic talent to be a top-notch football player. And not every person exhibits the faith and determination to live his dreams.

But Irish senior offensive lineman Jerry Wisne has it all rolled into one.

Wisne, a mammoth 6-foot-7, 320 pound quick guard solidifies one of the largest and most talented offensive lines in the nation. Seniors Mike Rosenthal and Tim Ridder, junior John Merandi and fifth-year player Luke Pettigout join Wisne in protecting Irish quarterback Jarious Jackson and paving the way for tailback Autry Denson, who is on the verge of becoming Notre Dame's all-time leading rusher.

"I think we're the best offensive line in the nation," said Wisne. "And we all believe that."

Next to the veteran Rosenthal, a regular on the line for three seasons, Wisne's 24 career starts rank second among all current offensive linemen. But Wisne's numbers go beyond just the time he's logged on the field.

Before last week's Boston College contest, head coach Bob Davie revealed a few behind-the-scenes statistics that put Wisne's performance off the field into perspective.

"Jerry Wisne, without a doubt, [is] one of the most impressive linemen I've ever been around," Davie said. "[He] has nine percent body fat. The average body fat in the NFL, I think, for offensive linemen is over 20 [percent]."

"He benches 225 pounds 42 times, which I think the NFL [Combine] record might have been 38 or 39. The guy is unbelievable," Davie continued. "He's still young."

But the oldest son of former Notre Dame offensive lineman Gerry Wisne, a member of the 1966 national championship team, didn't always play a starring role.

As a senior at Jenks High School in Tulsa, Okla., Wisne earned letters as a three-year starter, splitting time between defensive tackle, offensive tackle and even tight end. But it was on defense where Wisne's talent shone brightest. He finished his high school career with 110 solo tackles, 46 tackles for losses, 25 sacks and 15 blocked passes. USA Today honored the Oklahoma resident with first-team prep all-America accolades as a defensive lineman. Bluechip Illustrated ranked Wisne sixth nationally among defensive linemen, while Parade, SuperPrep and Prep Football Report placed him on a variety of all-America teams.

"In high school, I established a defensive mentality," Wisne

said. "It's more aggressive, and instinctive."

But in the fall of 1995, just three weeks into Wisne's freshman year, the coaching staff decided to move Wisne to the offensive line.

Almost immediately after Wisne's position change, veteran left guard Jeremy Akers suffered a knee injury that appeared to create an opening for the rookie offensive lineman. However, Wisne logged only four minutes that season during a 41-0 pounding of Vanderbilt.

"It was different," said Wisne of the position change. "Offensive line requires a more cerebral attitude. You have to really know the game and play smart. It's been real challenging for me."

The following year Wisne prepared to be a major contributor for the Irish, but managed to play in only nine games, seeing less than 100 minutes of action.

"My sophomore season was the most difficult," Wisne said. "Coach Holtz was about to leave and there was conflict on the coaching staff, which I'm sure happens at any school when a change like that happens."

Wisne's sophomore season turned out to be his darkest hour, as the young lineman seriously considered forsaking his dreams and leaving the University.

And it was only the biggest

influence on Wisne's life that could convince him to remain at Notre Dame.

"God got me through that," Wisne said. "I was so close to leaving, and I just prayed that if God wanted me to stay, everything would somehow work out."

Wisne stayed, and his family followed. Jerry's younger brother Andy received a football scholarship to play for the Irish the following year, and their parents packed up the family home in Oklahoma and moved to South Bend.

"I was shocked," said Wisne about his family's decision to relocate. "I guess it's weird sometimes, almost like high school. Most people think you go to college to get away from your parents. But it's nice, like on Sundays when we'll go over and eat dinner together. It's a pretty unique situation for someone playing college football."

"[Jerry and I] are pretty close," said Andy Wisne. "His being here was a pretty big factor in my decision [to attend Notre Dame]."

It was during Wisne's junior year, under rookie head coach Davie, that he finally solidified a starting role on the offensive line. He finished 1997 as one of five offensive players to start all 13 games, including the

Independence Bowl, and ranked fourth on the offense in total playing time. Wisne also made 52 regular-season special team appearances.

"[Jerry] brings a quiet confidence to the team," said Andy. "He's a leader, but he doesn't have to say much. Plus, he's a good blocker."

But if there could be considered a breakout year for the offensive line, this is it.

In 1998, the men in the trenches have been crushing more than their share of opposing defenses, and represent a major reason the Irish sport a 7-1 record. While the Notre Dame defense has produced 13 sacks for 81 lost yards, the offensive line has allowed only four sacks for a measly 19 yards.

"This season I just wanted [the offensive line] to gel," explained Wisne. "As Coach Colletto says, we're kinda like the piping on this team. We're essential to the offense, but we're not the guys in the limelight. We don't get the attention unless something goes wrong."

For now, Wisne's living a dream that began when he was a seventh-grader watching Notre Dame's 31-30 victory over Miami.

And God is right there with him.

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CAREER STATS

YEAR	GAMES	GAMES STARTED	YARDS
1995	1-0	1-0	0
1996	9-3	9-3	56
1997	12-12	12-12	300
TOTAL	22	22	356

NOTRE DAME SCHEDULE

Sept. 5	MICHIGAN	W 36-20
Sept. 12	at Michigan State	44-28
Sept. 20	PURDUE	W 31-30
Oct. 3	STANFORD	W 30-17
Oct. 10	at Arizona State	W 28-9
Oct. 24	ARMY	W 20-17
Oct. 31	BAYLOR	W 27-3
Nov. 7	at Boston College	W 31-26
Nov. 14	at Navy	
Nov. 21	LSU	
Nov. 28	at USC	

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

AUTRY DENSON AND HIS BLOCKERS



The Observer/Jeff Hsu

Autry Denson looks to set a new Notre Dame record in career rushing tomorrow.

Senior tailback Autry Denson will likely finish the chase to pass Notre Dame's all-time leading rusher Allen Pinkett.

The magic number for Denson is 47 to break Pinkett's previous mark with 4,131 yards.

Denson currently ranks 43rd in the NCAA career rushing category. He needs just 306 yards to crack into the top 25.

Navy, just like every other team on the Irish schedule will make Denson earn every yard.

They will likely pack the box with Midshipmen and the offensive line and



The Observer/Jeff Hsu

Mike Rosenthal and the offensive line make Denson's achievements possible.

fullbacks will have to be on top of their game.

Notre Dame is at its best when it only has to go to the air a couple of times a half.

Although Jackson has proven he is capable, as Denson goes so does the offense.

Navy usually gives on of its best defensive efforts of the season against the Irish, sometimes playing beyond their abilities and size.

It'll be a historic game, but it won't mean much to Denson if his team loses.



Bob Davie

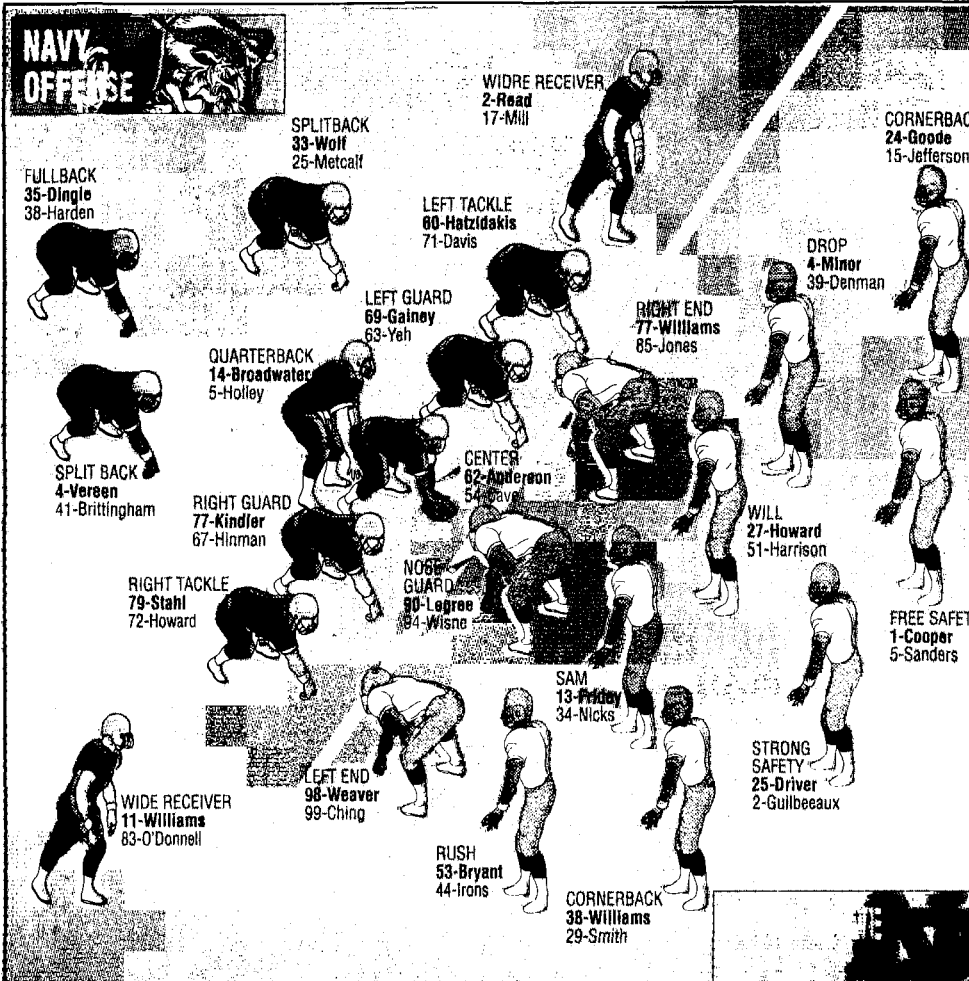
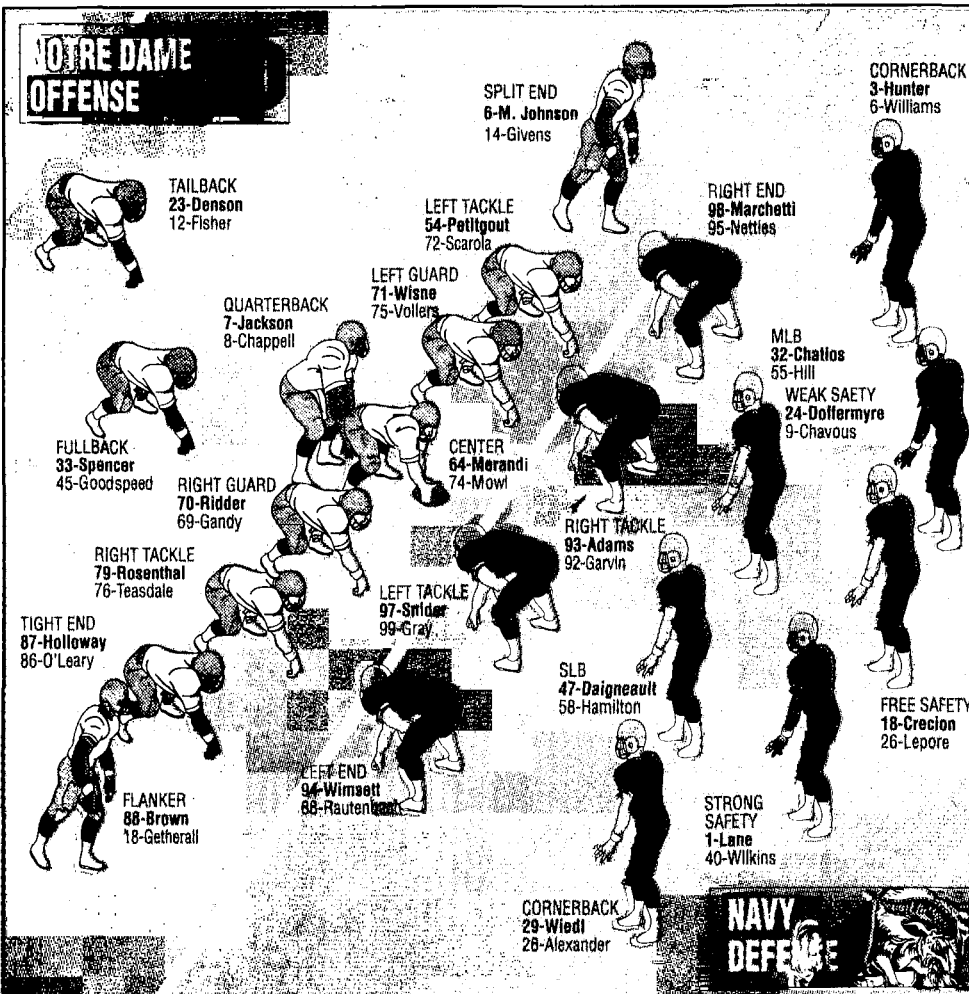
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CAREER RECORD 14-7
AT NOTRE DAME 14-7
AGAINST NAVY 1-0



ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	YR
1	Deke Cooper	FS	6-3	221	JR
2	Benny Guilbeau	SS	6-2	215	SR
3	Arnaz Battle	QB	6-1	195	FR
4	Kory Minor	OLB	6-1	245	SR
5	A'Jani Sanders	FS	5-11	191	SR
6	Malcolm Johnson	SE	6-5	215	SR
7	Jarious Jackson	QB	6-0	220	SR
8	Eric Chappell	QB	6-4	225	JR
9	Anthony Brannan	OLB	5-11	203	JR
10	Raki Nelson	FL	5-11	178	JR
11	Deveron Harper	CB	5-11	187	JR
12	Jay Johnson	SE	6-0	187	JR
13	Tony Fisher	RB	6-1	202	FR
14	Jimmy Friday	ILB	6-2	236	SR
15	David Givens	WR	6-0	214	FR
16	Clifford Jefferson	DB	5-9	165	FR
17	John Shingler	TE	6-1	250	SR
18	Hunter Smith	P	6-2	218	SR
19	Joey Getherall	SE	5-7	172	SO
20	Jim Sanson	K	5-9	189	JR
21	Carlos Pierre-Antoine	LB	6-2	240	FR
22	Javin Hunter	WR	5-11	172	FR
23	Jay Vickers	TB	6-0	215	JR
24	Autry Denson	TB	5-10	202	SR
25	Ty Goode	CB	5-11	192	SR
26	Tony Driver	FS	6-2	214	SO
27	Lee Lafayette	SS	5-10	198	JR
28	Bobbie Howard	ILB	5-10	232	SR
29	Donald Dykes	DB	5-10	186	FR
30	Mike Grady	FS	5-11	200	JR
31	Justin Smith	CB	6-2	188	SO
32	Rocky Boiman	DB	6-3	222	FR
33	Eric Himan	CB	5-11	179	SR
34	Terrance Howard	RB	6-1	181	RB
35	Justin Meko	SS	5-11	209	SR
36	Jamie Spencer	FB	6-1	245	SR
37	Phil Sisco	CB	5-11	188	SR
38	Ronnie Nicks	ILB	6-1	234	JR
39	David Miller	K-P	5-11	177	FR
40	Jascint Vukelich	FB	6-0	224	SO
41	Tom Lopienski	FB	6-2	240	FR
42	Tim Lynch	CB	5-9	177	SR
43	Ron Israel	CB	6-0	218	SO
44	Kevin Rice	SS	6-0	212	SR
45	Brock Williams	CB	5-10	189	SO
46	Anthony Denman	OLB	6-1	231	SO
47	Chris Leck	SS	5-10	195	JR
48	Jason Murray	FB	6-1	254	SO
49	Brendan Farrell	ILB	5-10	220	JR
50	Joe Ferrer	OLB	6-2	231	JR
51	Antoine Wellington	NG	6-0	261	JR
52	Hugh Holmes	ILB	6-1	212	SO
53	Grant Irons	OLB	6-5	256	SO
54	Joey Goodspeed	FB	6-0	241	JR
55	Kevin Dansby	OLB	6-1	228	SO
56	Benjamin Robinson	TE	6-2	241	SR
57	Mike McNair	FB	6-0	221	FR
58	Johnathan Hebert	SE	5-11	202	JR
59	Joe Thomas	ILB	6-2	227	SR
60	David Payne	OG	6-1	287	SR
61	Tyreo Harrison	LB	6-2	238	FR
62	Lamont Bryant	DE	6-3	258	SR
63	Luke Pettigout	OT	6-6	300	SR
64	Jim Jones	OG	6-3	295	JR
65	Brendan O'Connor	OG	6-2	292	JR
66	Casey Robin	OT	6-6	300	SO
67	Mike Tribe	ILB	5-10	220	JR
68	John Merandi	C	6-3	292	JR
69	JW Jordan	C	6-0	289	SO
70	John Wagner	OT	6-7	300	SR
71	Matt Brennan	OT	6-7	295	JR
72	Mike Gandy	OG	6-4	296	JR
73	Tim Ridder	OG	6-7	298	SR
74	Jerry Wisne	OG	6-7	298	SR
75	Ryan Scarola	OL	6-4	310	FR
76	Jeff Roehl	OL	6-4	287	FR
77	Rob Mowl	C	6-5	295	JR
78	John Teasdale	OT	6-5	295	SO
79	Brad Williams	DE	6-5	286	JR
80	Jordan Black	OL	6-5	310	FR
81	Mike Rosenthal	OT	6-7	300	SR
82	Lewis Dawson	FL	6-0	185	JR
83	Patrick Reynolds	WR	5-11	179	FR
84	Gerald Morgan	TE	6-3	263	FR
85	Antwon Jones	NG	6-3	280	SR
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87	Dan O'Leary	TE	6-5	256	JR
88	Jabari Holloway	FL	6-3	254	SO
89	Bobby Brown	FL	6-3	194	SR
90	John Day-Owens	TE	6-3	228	FR
91	Lance Legree	NG	6-1	292	JR
92	Noah Vanhook-Drucker	DE	6-2	245	JR
93	Adam Tibble	K	5-11	183	FR
94	BJ Scott	DE	6-4	282	JR
95	Andy Wisne	NG	6-3	285	SO
96	Ryan Roberts	ILB	6-1	235	FR
97	Sean Mahan	DL	6-3	262	FR
98	Kurt Vollers	DT	6-7	280	SO
99	Anthony Weaver	DL	6-3	249	FR
100	Eric Glass	DT	6-4	235	JR
101	Jason Ching	DE	6-3	280	JR



■ IRISH INSIGHT

Irish head down tough road to New Year's Day

For targeted Notre Dame football team, every game presents bowl atmosphere

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How Notre Dame plays this Saturday will determine which bowl it will make an appearance in.

Sounds a little melodramatic, doesn't it? True, the Irish still have three more games to play, and Navy, with its 3-5 record, looks to be the weakest of the bunch. Why should this rivalry, which has been all but dominated by Notre Dame for over three decades, determine the course of the entire season?

First off, don't expect the streak against Navy to hold any advantage. Sure, it's the longest winning streak in the nation, but any returning student can give a vivid recollection of the final play of last year's 21-17 victory.

For those who don't remember, the Midshipmen had the ball on their own 29-yard line with three seconds remaining. In the final play of the game, quarterback Chris McCoy threw a Hail Mary pass that bounced off the helmet of an Irish player and fell into the hands of Pat McGrew at the 18. The receiver dashed toward the endzone, but Allen Rossum was able to knock him out at the one-yard line.

For the fans on the other side of the stadium, including most of the student body, there was no indication of what had happened. The crowd was kept in suspense for several minutes before an obviously relieved stadium announcer relayed the outcome of the play.

Somewhere among the confusion and

relief, there was a lesson to be learned. Even though Navy was a heavy underdog, it dominated virtually every category of the game. The questions on most fans' lips as they exited the stadium was, "Why was that game so close? Why wasn't it a clear cut win?"

The answer is simple. For Navy, playing Notre Dame is the most important game of the season. For schools that have had less than average seasons, a win against the Irish can turn the entire season around.

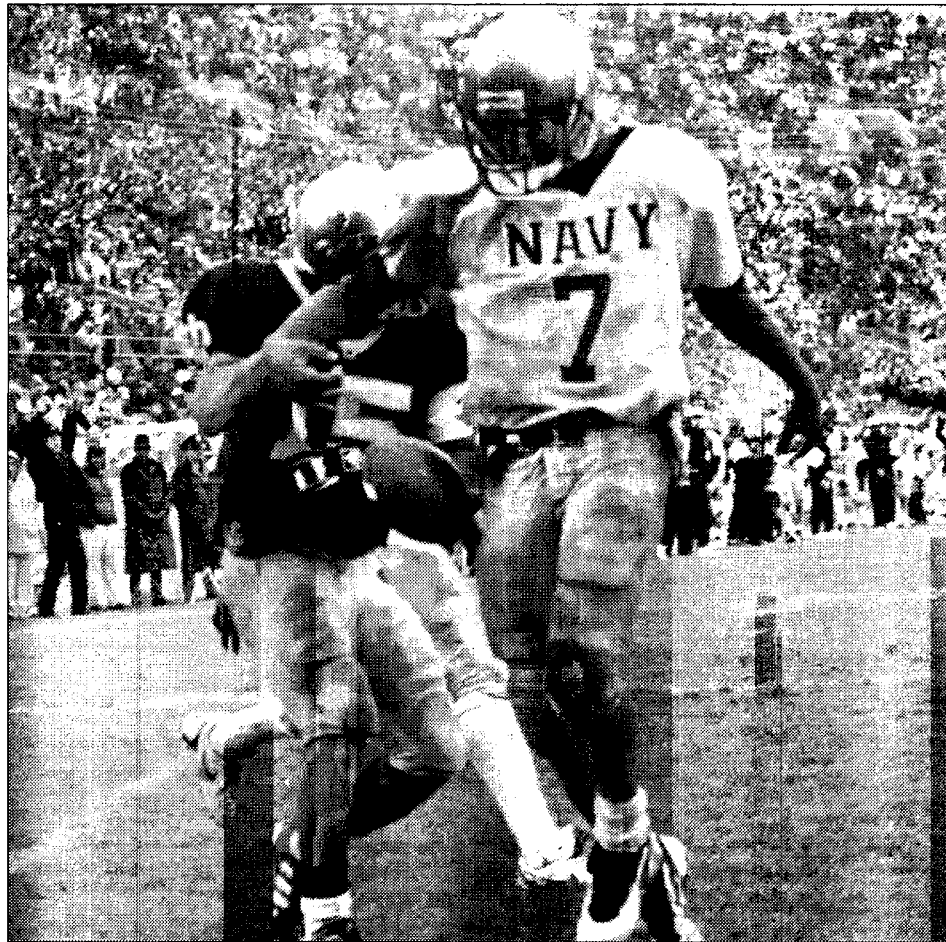
This season, one wonders whether the Irish remember that lesson. If they haven't, their opponents this season have continually tried to jar their memory.

Against Purdue, it took one interception by Tony Driver to set up the game-winning field goal and another to preserve the 31-30 victory. Against Army, Jim Sanson needed to kick a career-long field goal with 1:06 remaining to put the Irish on top for good. And last week against the Eagles, it took an effort from the entire defensive unit to pluck victory from the jaws of defeat.

Where the margin of victory was one yard last year, it has now closed to within a few inches.

For the Irish, it isn't a matter of talent that hampers them; it's a matter of heart. The team must treat every game as though it's the national championship, Super Bowl and final game of their career all wrapped into one. Why? Because that's exactly the same way every team on the other side of the field is looking at it. If Coach Davie and his staff hope to take the team to the next level, he has to have every team treat every game as the most important one of the season.

Which brings us back to the beginning. Why should this game decide the entire season for the Irish? Because it's the best chance for them to put this insight into practice. LSU is looking for




Former Irish cornerback Allen Rossum (15) cemented last year's close win over Navy with a last-second stop. Notre Dame will need similar tough plays if it hopes to win out the season.

atonement for last year's embarrassing defeat at home, and only a victory at fabled Notre Dame Stadium would be true revenge. As for USC, its rivalry with Notre Dame makes it one of the most hotly contested games in college football. Unlike other teams, however, the Tigers and Trojans have grit and determination with a great deal of tal-

ent to match.

So, before the Irish start thinking about Pasadena, they should keep their eye on the task at hand, and treat every approaching game as the important one of the season. Otherwise that margin of victory could shrink even further, even to the point where it doesn't exist at all.



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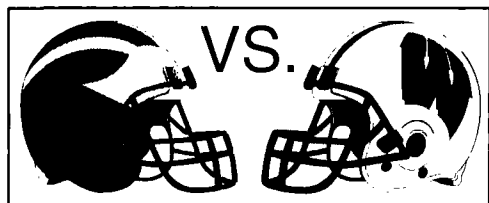
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THE IRISH INSIDER LOOKS AT
THIS WEEK'S TOP COLLEGE
FOOTBALL GAMES

Razorbacks hope to crush Vols' season

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One of these teams' dream seasons will be crushed Saturday. Tennessee, for the first time since 1956, is ranked the No. 1 team in the nation. Both teams are undefeated at 8-0 and 5-0 in the SEC (Tennessee in the East conference and Arkansas in the West).

Tennessee is a game ahead of Florida, but the win over the Gators keeps them on top even with a loss this week. Arkansas has a two-game lead in the West, and can clinch the division with a win and a loss by Mississippi state.

Replacement quarterback Tee Martin has stepped in to become a team leader. His passing game is another of the team's surprises, earning him the 11th spot in the nation in passing efficiency.

In the past four games, he has completed 67-of-89 passes for 862 yards and seven touchdowns. Martin has not been intercepted in 80 straight pass attempts.

With all that production, it isn't hard to figure out why wideout Peerless Price's numbers have increased. He has 40 receptions on the year, for 523 yards and seven touchdowns.

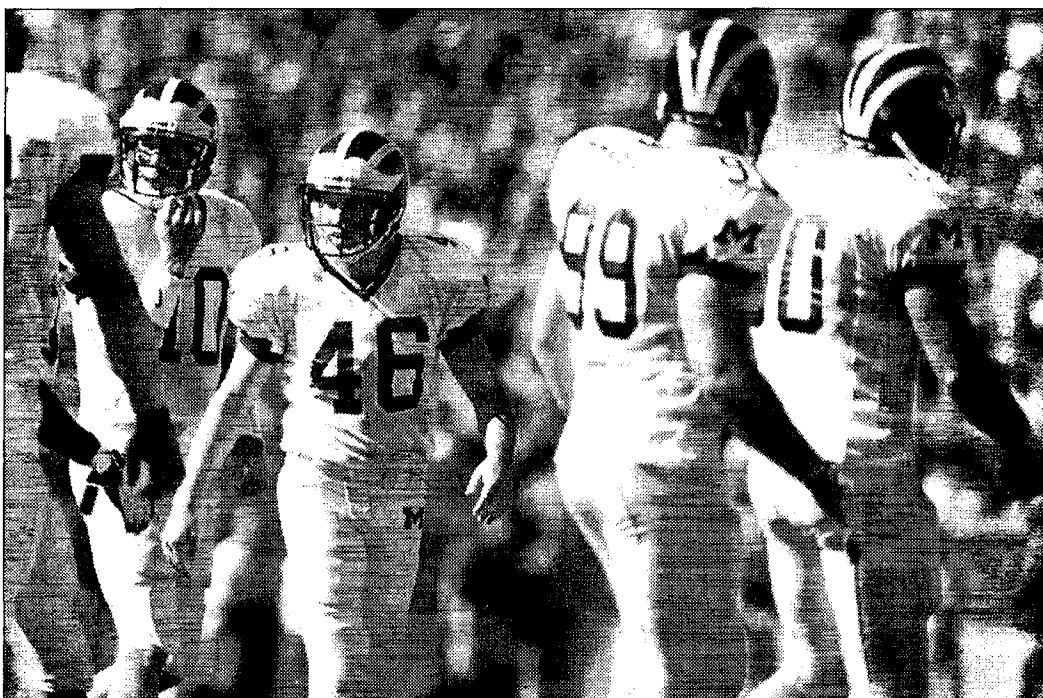
Despite the loss of Jamal Lewis, the Vols have been able to run the ball well. The team leads the SEC in rushing, due in large part to sophomore tailback Travis Henry.

After allowing 50 points in the first two games of the season, the Vols' defense has given up just 64 points over the last six contests. Tennessee has not allowed more than 18 points in any conference games this year, averaging just 12.2 points a game.

Linebacker Al Wilson, a Butkus Award semifinalist, leads the squad with 64 tackles, including three sacks and four tackles behind the line of scrimmage, and one fumble recovery and two pass breakups. The Volunteers are yielding just 170.1 yards passing this year.

Razorback first-year head coach Houston Nutt has turned in his share of surprises in Arkansas. Nutt hopes to start off Arkansas' two-game road trip with a win. Things don't get easier for Arkansas as Mississippi State is next up on the schedule.

Razorback signal caller Clint Stoerner is one passing touchdown away from breaking the school's single-season record of 18. He has posted huge numbers this season, throwing from behind a well-experienced line. Also standing out behind the offensive front is the rushing duo of Madre Hill and Chrys

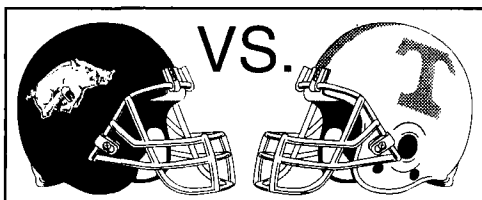


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Michigan looks to extend its Big Ten winning streak to 16 straight games against Wisconsin.

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Defensively, the defense is hitting its stride, getting its first shutout in seven seasons with the 31-0 win over Ole Miss. It leads the SEC in run defense with 82.6 yards per game. The Razorbacks are yielding just 2.4 yards per carry this year, allowing just two rushing touchdowns all season.



In the matchup that has had history on Nebraska's side for the past 31 years, Kansas State is the team on the verge of adding the newest chapter. The team with just 10 wins in 82 tries against the Cornhuskers has this season on its side.

The Wildcats have allowed more than nine points just once on the season and have scored more than 48 points in all but one game. In a game that most thought would have major bowl game implications, not many saw Kansas State as the favorite. But with Nebraska's two losses on the season, both in the Big Twelve, it is the Huskers who are looking to upset the conference leader.

In what builds to be an offensively-minded matchup, the

Cornhuskers will most likely be without starting quarterback Bobbie Newcombe. But freshman backup Eric Crouch already has already started four games. He is averaging 5.8 yards per carry this year, amassing 333 yards on the ground, including five TDs.

In addition, the backfield may get tailback DeAngelo Evans back after a costly injury. Nebraska will have its work cutout for it as it looks to continue the ground game, which has averaged 270 yards per game, good enough for third-best in the nation.

On the other side of the ball, Nebraska is also well-versed in the rushing game. An aggressive front seven has kept opponents to just 108 yards a game and only six rushing touchdowns.

Any team that can score an average of 52.4 points in a game is going to have more

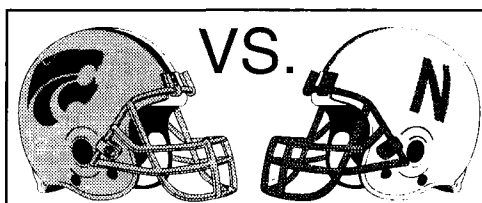
than one way to get to the endzone. On the ground they have gained just less than 230 yards a game, good for tenth in the nation.

Quarterback Michael Bishop has also given opponents another threat, one which last week exploded for 262 yards, two touchdowns, and another score on the rush against Baylor. Giving him the spark last weekend was freshman wide receiver Aaron Lockett, who picked up seven receptions for 157 yards.

The Wildcats are led by linebacker Jeff Kelly, a semifinalist for the Butkus Award, Kansas State's defense will be the wall that may stone Nebraska. Not only have they stopped the gains, allowing just 72 yards rushing a game, but they have set up shop in the opponents' backfield with their 108 tackles for losses.

With that said, in many ways, the Wildcats are still the underdog. The last time they have led against Nebraska was in the fourth quarter in 1991.

In last year's loss, Bishop played the only bad game of his season — an 8-for-24, two-interception heartbreaking defend against, yes, Nebraska.



The party may be over for the Badgers this week as they face-off against their toughest opponent. Michigan has torn through its last seven games, including last week's 27-0 routing of Penn State. The Wolverines are looking to extend their Big Ten winning streak to 16 straight games.

With Ohio State's loss last weekend, this game could determine the Big Ten title. Wisconsin's 9-0 record ties it with the 1901 team for the best ever start. But the Badgers are still a longshot for the national title, ranked ninth in the current Bowl Championship Series rankings. A win against Michigan, their most formidable opponent this season, will certainly boost their chances.

The Wolverines rebounded from early season losses to Notre Dame and Syracuse relying on its strong defense to get the job done.

The biggest test for them this weekend will be stopping Badger tailback Ron Dayne. Turning in a consistent performance each week, Dayne doesn't have the big numbers, but has rushed for more than 100 yards in each game. Dayne and Wisconsin quarterback Mike Samuel will have to contend with the recent return of Michigan safety Marcus Ray from suspension.

Offensively, the Wolverines have been lackluster this season. Quarterback Tom Brady has only led his team to more than 30 points only once this season, in the 59-20 win against Eastern Michigan.

Another strong defensive effort could give Michigan its 25th win in the last 28 meetings with the Badgers. The Wolverines have won eight of the last 10 games between the teams and hold a 42-10-1 lead in the all-time series.

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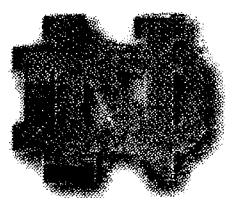
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	TEAM	RECORD	POINTS
1.	Tennessee (46)	8-0	1,718
2.	Kansas St. (19)	9-0	1,677
3.	UCLA (4)	8-0	1,615
4.	Florida	8-1	1,516
5.	Florida St. (1)	9-1	1,510
6.	Texas A&M	9-1	1,319
7.	Ohio State	8-1	1,311
8.	Wisconsin	9-0	1,309
9.	Arizona	9-1	1,189
10.	Arkansas	8-0	1,171
11.	Nebraska	8-2	931
12.	Notre Dame	7-1	899
13.	Missouri	7-2	752
14.	Tulane	8-0	747
15.	Michigan	7-2	729
16.	Virginia Tech	7-1	722
17.	Georgia	6-2	596
18.	Texas	7-2	577
19.	Penn St.	6-2	575
20.	Oregon	7-2	498
21.	Virginia	7-2	360
22.	Georgia Tech	6-2	315
23.	Air Force	8-1	260
23.	Miami	5-2	244
25.	Wyoming	8-1	69



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